BE IT REMEMBERED, That at a regular meeting of the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Clatsop County, State of Oregon, begun and held at the Court House in Astoria, in said county, on Wednesday, the 3rd day of February A. D. 1965, and from day to day thereafter during the continuance of said term.

Present, Hon.	Verne Stratton	Commissioner
Hon.	James Scarborough	Commissioner
Hon.	Hiram C. Johnson	Commissioner
	Mary Hay	Clerk
	Carl B. Bondietti	Sheriff

WHEREUPON, a term of said Board is begun and holden on Wednesday the 24th day of February A. D. 1965, the same being the 14th day of said term of said court, and among proceedings the following was had, to-wit:

IN THE MATTER OF NAMING THE)
MEMBERS OF THE CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL) O R D E R
ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND RECITING THE)
RESPONSIBILITIES OF THAT COMMITTEE.)

This matter coming on at this time before the Board of County Commissioners of Clatsop County, Oregon, sitting for the transaction of county business, and it appearing to the Board that in the interest of promoting the economic aspects of Clatsop County history the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee should be activated.

It is therefore hereby ORDERED that the following men and women of Clatsop County be, and they are hereby appointed to serve as members of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee, until the further order of this Board:

Arthur Dempsie
George Fulton
Kathleen Booth
Lawrence Rogers
Eli McConkey
Ed Beard
Irene Alstadt
Wm. Westerholm
Russell Bristow
Richard Carruthers, Jr.
Alta Schalk
Jack DeSassise
Guy Boyington
F. Ed. Ross

The County Commissioners believe it is proper that the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee select the following officers as ex-officio members to their committee;

The Governor of the State of Oregon
Chairman of the State Highway Commission
Local State Senator
Local State Representative
Director of the Oregon Historical Society
Superintendent of Fort Clatsop National Memorial and
Presidents of the various Chambers of Commerce within Clatsop County

It is deemed important that the committee maintain liaison with each municipality in the county through a designated councilman.

In order that the committee may have guideposts, it is ordered that the appendix title "Purposes, Principles and Organization of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee" be made a part of this order. Although the outline is not restrictive, it is appended with the hope that it will help the Committee in the early stages of its deliberations and performance.

Done and dated this 24th day of February, 1965.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
By VERNE STRATTON Commissioner
By JAMES SCARBOROUGH Commissioner
By HIRAM C. JOHNSON Commissioner

RECEIVED and ENTERED FEB 24 1965 being
the 14 day of said term of said Court

PURPOSES, PRINCIPLES AND ORGANIZATION
OF THE
CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEEE

INTRODUCTION. Among the many resources of economic importance is history. Many far-sighted communities have developed this resource into a source of outstanding economic gain. In most cases the dollar investment involved has been modest in relation to the dollar return. In some localities history has become "the principal industry". Comparatively, Clatsop County is unique in its historical heritage. Probably no community on the Pacific Coast is so rich in the drama, legend, fact and significance of its past. Much of this "resource" remains for us to present. Very little has been done to date in a truly organized way outside of the limited but dedicated work of the Clatsop County Historical Society, more recently the Columbia River Maritime Museum and the Federal Government at Fort Clatsop. History must be packaged, labeled and presented to be attractive and interesting to the visitor. One area of interest must be coordinated with another to cohesively present the whole in good taste and to advantage. History thus becomes significantly representative to be publicized and promoted as a worthwhile and activity for the interested visitor.

It is on the basis of the above facts that your County Commissioners have come to the following conclusions.

1. History is an economic quantity that can be sold.
2. Clatsop County is unique in its historical heritage. This county resource divides itself into the following significant classifications.

    a. International History. The seaborne explorations of Spain, Portugal and England of the 1500's. The competitive explorations of the above nationals and Russia of the 1700's.
    b. National History. The American discovery of the Columbia River and the Lewis and Clark Exposition, the Astor Expeditions.
    c. State History. The early settlement of significance to the establishment of an organized society in the state.
    d. Indian facts and Legends.
    e. Commonplace local history. The drama, tragedy and color of everyday life in Clatsop County.
3. That unguided private benevolence alone is not enough to accomplish a profitable end result.
4. That any program to be worthwhile must be by its nature countywide.
5. That the preservation and correlation of history is a proper activity for a public body.

THE CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE. The County Commissioners established on April 8, 1964, the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee, to consist of representatives from throughout the county to advise the Commissioners on the development of the county historical resource. This committee will not in any way usurp the dedications of private individuals or private means in their programs. On the contrary, it is the intent of the Commissioners to aid and abet, and encourage private initiative in this field. It is in fact, hoped that giving official cognizance to the importance of history that even greater organized private activity will come about.

The Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee will consist of eleven (11) members of representative communities of interest in the county, including the Clatsop County Historical Society and the Columbia River Maritime Museum.

MISSION. Among other things the committee will be charged with immediate and long term programs of development in the following fields:

I. Research

    a. The location and authentication of sites of historical importance in all five categories listed above sufficiently signifcant for marking and labeling.
    b. The location of areas and sites for eventual restoration of significant buildings.
    c. The location and identification of historical residences both occupied and

unoccupied, sufficiently significant for labeling.

d. The location and authentication of significant artifacts for the Clatsop County Historical Museum and the Columbia River Maritime Museum.

e. The rendering of an all inclusive report on the sites, areas, locations of historical significance in the county.

f. The drawing up of an ultimate program of labeling and restoration for the long term guidance of the Commissioners.

II. Museums

a. A program of needs and ~~xxx~~ targets for the two museums in the county.

III. Marking and Labeling

a. A phased program of markers including highway direction markers.

IV. Cooperation and encouragement of common publicity and advertising of history with Chambers of Commerce and other interested bodies. The committee will in no way recommend the assumption of responsibilities or expenditures that should rightfully rest in organizations of commerce.

V. Private and Public Agencies

a. The gathering and dissemination of information concerning the availability of means from private individuals and foundations for historical purposes.

b. Complete familiarity with the various cultural and historical programs of the Federal Government, State Government and Public Corporations and Foundations. Establish the possible eligibility, if any, of the county program with the above and cooperate in every way with the larger more general programs of importance locally.

VI. Budget and Appropriations

a. Advise the Commissioners on the demonstrated returns in other communities on their investment in history.

b. Advise the Commissioners on the minimum budget required from all sources, private, public and public political bodies for the initial historical program of research and organization.

c. Present an estimated investment cost annually for the first five year phase, the second five year phase and the continuing costs.

d. Present estimates as to the probable annual return in tourist dollars annually as the program and advertising advances year by year.

e. Present appropriation requirements for the various separate historical activities such as museum, markings, restorations.

f. Present estimates and means of raising money from interested private individuals and bodies.

g. Recommend the necessary county manpower and availability of auxiliary manpower from Chambers of Commerce and other bodies.

VII. Local Public Education

a. Recommend required publications if any.

b. Make recommendations as to the advisability of youth education in coordination with public school authorities.
c. Recommend, if required, a program of adult education through the public press, radio and any other means.
d. Establish liaison with public events, celebrations, conventions, to further the promoting of our historical sites.

VIII. Miscellaneous.

In no way is the above to be construed restrictive or limiting in the advisory responsibilities of the committee. It is to be understood however, that this committee has no legal power to act on its own, except by its prestige, its purpose being to recommend and to advise the Commissioners.

Organizational Meeting of Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee as established by Clatsop County Commission by their order dated February 24, 1965.

February 21, 1966
District Court Room, Astoria, Oregon
7:45 P. M.

Meeting called to order by Temporary Chairman, Arthur S. Dempsie.

Members of committee present:

Arthur S. Dempsie	1261 S. Columbia	Seaside
George C. Fulton	1050 - 34th St.	Astoria
Mrs.George J.(Irene)Alstadt	Palisades	Gearhart
Russel G. Bristow		Taylorville
Capt.J.F.DeSassise	309 Lexington Ave.	Astoria
Mrs. Alta Schalk	1555 Niagara Ave.	Astoria

Members absent:

Lawrence Rogers		Hammond
Eli McConkey	Rte 1, Box 545	Astoria
Edw. A. Beard		Hammond
Richard T.Carruthers, Jr.		Hammond
Guy Boyington		Astoria

Members resigned:

Kathleen Booth	Astoria
F. Ed. Ross	Astoria

Members deceased:

W. Westerholm

County Commissioner Hiram C. Johnson, present.

Purposes, principles, and organization of Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee read, with prolonged discussion on same.

Motion by George Fulton and second by Alta Schalk; that Arthur S. Dempsie be named permanent Chairman of Committee. Vote: unanimous.

Motion by George Fulton and second by Irene Alstadt; to request $1,000.00 operating funds for committee be made to County Commission. Vote: unanimous.

Motion by Irene Alstadt and second by George Fulton; that meetings for Advisory Committee be set for third Monday of each month in District Court Room, Astoria. Vote: unanimous.

Discussion on recommendation for additional members to be named as committee members for submission to County Commission. Following names submitted as possible nominees:

E.R.Baldwin (Chamber Manager)	250 S. W. 9th	Warrenton
Chas. Dodge	956 Irving Ave.	Astoria

Michael W. Foster	786 - 5th St.	Astoria
Mrs. C.C.(Diane) Gilberg	341 Beach Drive	Seaside
Mr. Jean Hallaux	Chamber of Commerce	Astoria
Dr. E. W. Harvey	1687 Grand Ave.	Astoria
Mrs. Andrew Marincovich		Clifton
Dr.Stewart F.McCollom	Box 414	Gearhart
Clayton C. Morse	1060 Ridge Drive	Astoria
Newt Schneider	Chamber of Commerce	Seaside
Berkeley Snow	Carnahan	Arch Cape
Mrs. Berkeley Snow	Carnahan	Arch Cape
A. N. Thorndike	509 Kensington Ave.	Astoria
Mrs. Leonard Tilton	858 S.E.Harbor Drive	Warrenton
Paul Tolonen	383 Klaskanine Ave.	Astoria

Motion by Russell Bristow and second by George Fulton; requesting ($\frac{1}{4}$) one quarter mill levy be placed on ballot for coming primary election for gaining maximum matching funds from State Government, to be used for historical use in county. Vote: unanimous.

Motion by Russel Bristow and second by Irene Alstadt; that the following officers be named as ex-officio members of the committee:

The Governor of the State of Oregon
Chairman of the State Highway Commission
Local State Senator
Local State Representative
Director of the Oregon Historical Society
Presidents of the various Chambers of Commerce within Clatsop County.

Vote: Yea: Dempsie, Alstadt, Bristow, DeSassise, Schalk
Nays: Fulton.

Motion by J. F. DeSassise and second by George Fulton; that Alta Schalk be named permanent secretary of the committee. Vote: unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

J. F. DeSASSISE
Temporary Secretary

~~Meeting~~ Mar 20th 1967

Opened 8 05

Present Art Dempsie
Fren F.K. Kneff
Dick Carthers
Russell ~~Wm~~ Bristow
Al Thorndike

Dempsie report called on City manager Max Pope of Seaside - re - moving Lakki grave. - Suggested concrete slab to establish new location only a few feet away.

Dempsie reported on visit with Fritz Sorey in California.

Discussion on brochure. Indicated request for $1,000.00 be included in 1967-8 budget for proposed expense for this committee Moved by Russell Bristow, seconded by Richard Carrathers. Motion carried.

Adjourn to have next meeting on May 15th 1967. Moved by Kness, seconded by Bristow. Motion carried.

After sundry historical talk - meeting adjourned.

signed - Al Thorndike Pro Tem.

May 15th

March 21, 1966

The regular meeting of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee was called to order by the Chairman, Arthur Dempsie.

Reading of the minutes of the organizational meeting were dispensed with as all members had already received copies by mail.

The motion for the $1,000.00 operational funds for this committee has been received by the County Commission and is to be acted upon, Commissioner Hiram Johnson informed us, and also that the meetings hereafter will be held in the County Commissioners' office on the third Monday of each month.

The Board of County Commissioners has received our suggested list for new members and have chosen and discussed their nominations. They are as follows:

1. Charles Dodge
2. Mike Foster
3. Dr. Ed Harvey
4. ~~Paul Tolonen~~
5. Mrs. Andrew Marincovich
6. Berkley Snow
7. A. N. Thorndike
8. Dr. F. McCollum.

These persons are to be informed by mail of their appointment.

Mr. Dempsie read a round robin letter from Deskin Bergey encouraging all the historical agencies and committees to combine efforts in making this area a first in historical tourist attraction.

A motion was made by Capt. Jack DeSassise and seconded by Eli McConkey and passed by the usual sign, that we recommend to the Board of County Commissioners that they submit to the voters the question of creating a County Historical Fund in the amount of $5,000.00.

A motion was also made by Capt. DeSassise, seconded by George Fulton, and passed unanimously, that the motion made by Russell Bristow and seconded by George Fulton concerning the historical levy made at the February 21, 1966 meeting be rescinded.

Seven members were present: Chairman, Arthur Dempsie; Eli McConkey; George Fulton; Russell Bristow; Jack DeSassise; Hiram Johnson; and Alta Schalk.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting to be held April 18th.

Signed,

Alta C. Schalk

ALTA SCHALK, Secretary

Board of County Commissioners

Be It Remembered, *That at a regular meeting of the Honorable* ~~County Court~~ *of Clatsop County, State of Oregon, begun and held at the Court House in Astoria, in said county, on Wednesday, the* 2nd *day of* March *A.D.* 19 66, *and from day to day thereafter during the continuance of said term.*

Present, Hon. Verne Stratton, Commissioner ~~County Judge~~

Hon. James Scarborough, ~~Commissioner~~ *Commissioner*

Hon. Hiram C. Johnson, *Commissioner*

Mary Hay *Clerk*

Carl Bondietti *Sheriff*

WHEREUPON, a term of said ~~court~~ Board *is begun and holden on* Wednesday *the* 23rd *day of* March *A.D.* 19 66, *the same being the* 16th *day of said term of said* ~~court~~, *and among proceedings the following was had, to-wit:*

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING ADDITIONAL MEMBERS TO THE CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

ORDER

This matter coming on at this time before the Board of County Commissioners of Clatsop County, Oregon, sitting for the transaction of county business, and it appearing to the Board that in the interest of promoting the economic aspects of Clatsop County history the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee should be expanded to include additional members.

It is therefore hereby ORDERED that the following men and women of Clatsop County be, and they are hereby appointed to serve as additional members of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee, until the further order of this Board:

Charles Dodge
Mike Foster
Dr. Ed Harvey
Paul Tolonen
Mrs. Andrew Marincovich
Berkeley Snow
A. N. Thorndike
Dr. Stewart F. McCollom

It is further ORDERED that the names of Kathleen Booth, F. Ed Ross, and W. Westerholm be removed from the present membership, through resignation or death.

Done and dated this 23rd day of March, 1966.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BY James Scarborough Commissioner

BY Verne Stratton Commissioner

BY _____ Commissioner

EC. D and ENTERED MAR 23 1966 being 16 day of said term of said Court.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

CLATSOP COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of an Election to Establish a County Historical Fund.	)	ORDER

This matter having come before the Board of County Commissioners of Clatsop County, Oregon, duly sitting for the transaction of county business on the 25 day of March, 1966, and it appearing to the Board that the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee has recommended to the Board of County Commissioners that there be submitted to the legal voters of the County at the next general election the question of whether or not a County Historical fund should be created and an annual tax levy of not to exceed FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS ($5,000.00) be levied therefor, and it appearing to the Board that it is desirable that the electors of Clatsop County, Oregon, be allowed to vote upon said question and the Board being fully advised in the premises,

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that there be submitted to the legal voters of Clatsop County, at the next general election to be held May 24, 1966, the question of whether or not a County Historical fund shall be created and taxes levied annually therefor.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that said question shall be submitted to the legal voters of Clatsop County by ballot in substantially the following form:

> "Shall Clatsop County, Oregon, establish a County Historical Fund for such County to be used for the purposes provided in ORS 358.200 and annually levy a tax of not to exceed $5,000.00 therefor, which shall be a special tax in addition to other taxes levied by the county and shall not be within the limitations as provided by Section 11, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution".

"For Historical Fund and tax ( ) Yes
"Against Historical Fund and tax ( ) No."

Done and dated this 25 day of March, 1966.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, CLATSOP COUNTY, OREGON

By James Scarborough Commissioner

By [illegible] Commissioner

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
CLATSOP COUNTY COURT HOUSE
ASTORIA, OREGON 97103

PROPOSED BALLOT FOR COUNTY HISTORICAL FUND VOTE

REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLATSOP COUNTY, OREGON

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3. MEASURE TO CREATE A COUNTY HISTORICAL FUND - Shall Clatsop County, Oregon, establish a County Historical Fund for such County to be used for the purposes provided in ORS 358.200, and annually levy a tax of not to exceed $5,000.00 therefor, which shall be a special tax in addition to other taxes levied by the County and shall not be within the limitations as provided by Section 11, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution".

For Historical Fund and Tax	YES	☐
Against Historical Fund and Tax	NO	☐

Clatsop Community College
ASTORIA, OREGON 97103
PHONE 325-0910

March 29, 1966

Secretary
Clatsop County Historical
Advisory Committee
Court House
Astoria, Oregon

Please accept with my regrets the return of the enclosed papers of appointment as a member of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee. Lately I have been seeking, with no success, a reduction in my committed time beyond the normal day to have some time with my family. For this reason, I do not wish to add to the number of advisory committee meetings which I already attend.

In my position as Chairman of the Vocational Technical Division at Clatsop College it is my duty to attend monthly meetings of nine occupational advisory committees. This is in addition to College Board meetings and various special evening meetings. Also, I serve as a member of the Board of Directors for the Columbia River Maritime Museum.

May I suggest that although I feel honored by your having tendered this position, you will do better, I am sure, to find someone more likely to find time to attend the meetings and to assist in the good work of the Historical Advisory Committee to a degree which I could not attain.

Paul Tolonen
SK

Paul Tolonen
Chairman,
Vocational-Technical Division

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Enclosures

April 18, 1966

The regular monthly meeting of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee was called to order by the chairman pro-tem, Alta Schalk, in the absence of Arthur Dempsie, regular chairman.

A motion was made by George Fulton and seconded by Irene Alstadt that the minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with as all members had received a copy by mail. Motion passed by usual sign.

The copy of the Ballot measure to be voted upon by the voters of Clatsop County May 24th to create a County Historical Fund was read by the Secretary.

The secretary read a letter from Paul Tolonen, in which he declined,with regret, his appointment as a member of the County Historical Advisory Committee; giving as his reasons too many previous committments to Clatsop College and other community organizations.

Mrs. Schalk mentioned that Dr. Ed Harvey, who was unable to attend this evening because of illness, had called her and asked that some thought be given to listing historical sites throughout the county so that this committee can at sometime in the near future recommend to the Clatsop County Commission that some type of map-brochure marking historic sites throughout the county be printed and the funds for such be made available. Discussion of historical sites to be marked in the future followed.

A motion was made by George Fulton and seconded by Russell Bristow that the County Commission urge the state highway commission to mark the following Historical locations:

1. Logging Tunnel at Westport
2. Pioneer Cemetery at Clatsop Plains
3. First Grist Mill in Nehalem Valley. Motion carried.

A list of important historical sites to be marked at other future dates was started. They are as follows:

Clifton (First Salmon Cannery on Columbia River)
Old Clifton one-room school house
Logging Flume at Taylorville
Locate Sites of early canneries
Locate Sites of early Saw Mills

Locate Sites of early Pulpmills
Locate Sites of early Gristmills
Locate Sites of early Sailor's Boarding House and Shanghai Sites
First site of electrical plant (Trullinger's Saw Mill) now site of Rascoe's Service Station
First Mission
Olney Landing
Old Cistern at First Mission (1840)
First House (Solomon Smith's) Ridge Road
Skipanon Landing
Ben Holladay's Stage Coach Inn at Skipanon Landing
Old Astoria China Town
Military Roads
Flavel Docks and Hotel
First Light House
Battery Russell and old Civil War date Battery

Mrs. Schalk urged all members to list sites as they come to mind to bring with them to our next meeting.

It was suggested to Hiram Johnson, Clatsop County Commissioner present, that the County Commissioner's Secretary remind Historical Advisory Members either by telephone call or card 2 or 3 days in advance of the calling of a meeting.

Members present: Mrs. George Altstadt, Capt. Jack DeSassise, Ned Thorndike, Charles Dodge, George Fulton, Hiram Johnson, Richard Carruthers Jr., Russell Bristow, and Alta Schalk.

A motion was made by Mrs. Altstadt and seconded by Richard Carruthers that the meeting be adjourned, passed by the usual sign.

Next meeting to be 8 P. M., May 16th, in Commission Chambers.

Signed,

Alta Schalk

Secretary

May 16, 1966

The regular meeting of the Clatsop Historical Advisory Committee was called to order by the Chairman, Arthur Dempsie.

In attendance at the meeting were members Arthur Dempsie, Russell Bristow, Eli McConkey, George Fulton, Mrs. George Alstadt, Ned Thorndike, Alta Schalk, and County Commissioner Hiram C. Johnson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Dempsie exhibited the posters, bringing Measure No. 3 to public attention, to be placed in prominent places throughout the county. Mr. Eli McConkey moved that this Committee suggest to the Board of Clatsop County Commissioners the use of this emblem on the posters, which has been drawn by Rolf Kelp, as the official Clatsop County insignia. Motion seconded by Mr. George Fulton and passed by the usual sign.

Mr. Dempsie presented Alta Schalk and Hiram Johnson, whose birthdays are today, each with a miniature birthday cake topped with a candle.

Mr. Dempsie read the sample ballot concerning Measure 3.

Mr. Hiram Johnson passed out the new Clatsop County brochures giving the map inside the front cover as an example as one to be followed in making a historical map, with key for historical sites to be marked.

A motion was made by Russell Bristow and seconded by Eli McConkey that the County Commission contact the State Highway Commission, asking that a marker be placed where the common corner of the four counties: Clatsop, Washington, Tillamook, and Columbia, join at the Southeast corner of Clatsop County; the marker to be placed on highway nearest actual spot. Motion passed.

Mr. Dempsie called his cousin, Fritz Souvie, in San Rafael, California, on his 80th birthday. Mr. Dempsie told him that he was calling from our Historical Committee meeting. He mentioned not to forget our historical heritage here and noted that both museums would use any financial help he could give. He answered that certainly he would not forget them.

Mr. Dempsie asked if this would be the last meeting until October 17, unless there is an emergency. A motion was made by Mr. Eli McConkey and seconded by Russell Bristow, that this be done. Passed by usual sign.

It was suggested by Mr. Dempsie that the site of the last resting place of the T. J. Potter be marked.

It was suggested that after we have received some funds we provide film for pictures to be taken of historical sites throughout the county for use, not only by this committee, but for the schools, and also an informative brochure of historical sites and their history for tourists as well as for local use.

The suggestion was made that these meetings be circulated throughout the county during the coming winter, to Seaside, Cannon Beach, Westport, etc.

A motion was made by Mrs. George Alstadt and seconded by Mr. Ned Thorndike the meeting adjourn. Motion passed.

Signed,

Alta C. Schalk

Secretary

Clatsop County

ASTORIA, OREGON

VERNE STRATTON, COMMISSIONER
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THOMAS E. EDISON, DIST. ATTY.

HAROLD T. JOHNSON, DISTRICT JUDGE
BEN BURNS, TREASURER
E. E. ISAACSON, SURVEYOR
EMMETT D. TOWLER, SCHOOL SUPT.
DR. NOEL B. RAWLS, MEDICAL EXAMINER
DAVID STANLEY DICKSON, ASSESSOR

November 18, 1966

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE
CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Your first regular meeting of the fall will be held Monday evening, at 8:00 P. M. in the office of the Board of Clatsop County Commissioners.

Your Chairman, Arthur Dempsie, has requested that each of you be thinking of someone to act as Secretary for your Committee, since Alta Schalk is no longer in this area.

Very truly yours,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith,
Secretary to Board of County Commissioners

November 21, 1966

Meeting of October 17, 1966 was not held because of lack of business to come before the Committee as well as the absence from the county of Chairman Arthur Dempsie.

The regular meeting of the Clatsop Historical Advisory Committee was called to order by Mr. Jack DeSassise at 8:35 P. M.

Present were Russell Bristow, Eli McConkey, Mrs. George Alstadt, Jack DeSassise, Ned Thorndike, and George Fulton.

Minutes of the the meeting of May 16, 1966 were read and approved.

Correspondence: Letter from Alta Schalk, tendering her resignation. Accepted with regrets, but with best wishes.

Discussion held regarding the motion on May 16, 1966 re. marker for common corner of Washington, Columbia, Clatsop, and Tillamook Counties.

Recommend the following be appointed to the Advisory Committee:

Miss Dorothy Wooten
Mr. Jack Sutfin (Westport)
Jean Hallaux
David McClean (Seaside)

Request Board of County Commissioners contact those persons nominated March 21, 1966, excepting Dr. Harvey and A. N. Thorndike, and determine if they are going to serve on this committee.

1. Recommend that site of old Ferry Landing on Knappton Towboat Dock be marked.

2. Recommend that funds be made available to committee to have Ned Thorndike take pictures of spots of Historical interest as designated by the Board.

3. Recommend that Commissioner-elect Ordway be contacted for recommendation of names for this committee.

Motion by Mrs. Alstadt and seconded by Ned Thorndike that we adjourn.

Signed,
George C. Fulton
George C. Fulton,
Secretary Pro Tem

Clatsop County

ASTORIA, OREGON

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DAVID STANLEY DICKSON, ASSESSOR

December 16, 1966

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE
CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Enclosed herewith, for your consideration, and records, is a copy of the November, 1966 meeting of your Committee.

Also, this note will serve to advise you of your regular meeting of the Committee, which will be held in the office of the Board of County Commissioners on Monday, December 19, 1966, at 8:00 P. M.

Very truly yours,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith,
Secretary to Board of County Commissioners

December 19, 1966

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Arthur S. Dempsie.

Members present were: Arthur S. Dempsie, Eli McConkey, George C. Fulton, and Richard T. Carruthers, Jr.

Minutes of the meeting of November 21, 1966 read and approved.

Discussion held concerning the grave of Mrs. Lahti at Seaside, located near the Seaside Hospital. Grave may be damaged and destroyed. It was suggested this matter be presented to the County Commission to preserve and mark.

Chairman advised he would attend the County Commission meeting and ascertain what further action is desired by this committee and what action was taken on our recommendations.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Signed,

George C. Fulton

George C. Fulton,
Secretary Pro Tem

Address for Alta (Schalk) Weir:

Thomas Weir
1792 Daniel Street
Trail, B. C.
Canada

Meeting of Dec. 19, 66

Present Mr. Dempsie, McCarthy, Fulton, Carruthers.

Min. of meeting of Nov. 21/66 read & approved.

Grave, of Mrs. Lahti (?) at Lowell located near Lowell Hosp. - Grave may be damaged and destroyed. It was suggested this matter be presented to Co. Comm. to preserve a mark.

Chairman advised he would attend Co. Comm. meeting & ascertain what further action desired by this committee & what action taken on our recommendation

December 19, 1966

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Arthur S. Dempsie.

Members present were: Arthur S. Dempsie, Eli McConkey, George C. Fulton, and Richard T. Carruthers, Jr.

Minutes of the meeting of November 21, 1966 read and approved.

Discussion held concerning the grave of Mrs. Lahti at Seaside, located near the Seaside Hospital. Grave may be damaged and destroyed. It was suggested this matter be presented to the County Commission to preserve and mark.

Chairman advised he would attend the County Commission meeting and ascertain what further action is desired by this committee and what action was taken on our recommendations.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Signed,

George C. Fulton

George C. Fulton,
Secretary Pro Tem

Address for Alta (Schalk) Weir:

Thomas Weir
1792 Daniel Street
Trail, B. C.
Canada

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January 12, 1967

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE
CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Enclosed herewith, for your consideration, and records, is a copy of the December, 1966 meeting of your Committee. Also, enclosed you will find a copy, for your records, of the Order appointing or re-appointing Members of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee. Should you happen to be one of the new appointees, we wish to take this opportunity of welcoming you to the fellowship of the committee and thank you for your interest in furthering preservation of our rich history in Clatsop County.

Please note that the regular meeting of your Committee, which will be held in the office of the Board of County Commissioners, will be Monday, January 16, 1967, at 8:00 P. M.

Very truly yours,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith,
Secretary to Board of County Commissioners

P. O. Box 179
Astoria, Oregon 97103
January 16, 1967

Mrs. Thomas Weir
1792 Daniel St.
Trail, B. C.
Canada

Dear Alta:

Your letter of resignation was received by the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee with much regret, but with the wish for happiness in your marriage.

The Committee continues to function, although we feel the loss of your enthusiasm and participation in the work of preserving the history of Clatsop County.

It was with great interest we learned of your husband's interest in the history of his part of America and we know that with your help and enthusiasm he will be able to do much in bringing Canada's history to the foreground.

Again, our best wishes for your future.

Sincerely,

Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee

By,
Arthur S. Dempsie, Chairman

(The above is copy of letter of appreciation mailed to Alta Schalk Weir for her assistance on the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee.)

Be It Remembered, *That at a regular meeting of the Honorable* Board of County Commissioners *of Clatsop County, State of Oregon, begun and held at the Court House in Astoria, in said county, on Wednesday, the* 4th *day of* January *A.D. 19* 67*, and from day to day thereafter during the continuance of said term.*

Present, Hon. Hiram C. Johnson, Commissioner *Commissioner*

Hon. Verne Stratton *Commissioner*

Hon. Lyle G. Ordway *Commissioner*

Mary Hay *Clerk*

Carl B. Bondietti *Sheriff*

WHEREUPON, a term of said Board *is begun and holden on* Wednesday *the* 4th *day of* January *A.D. 19* 67*, the same being the* 1st *day of said term of said* Board*, and among proceedings the following was had, to-wit:*

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING OR RE-APPOINTING)
MEMBERS OF THE CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL) O R D E R
ADVISORY COMMITTEE.)

This matter coming on at this time before the Board of County Commissioners of Clatsop County, Oregon, sitting for the transaction of county business, and it appearing to the Board that it is necessary and advisable at this time to appoint or re-appoint certain men and women of Clatsop County to serve as members of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee, and the Board being duly advised,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following men and women of Clatsop County, be, and they are hereby appointed to serve as members of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee, until the further order of this Board:

Arthur S. Dempsie
George C. Fulton
Lawrence Rogers
Eli McConkey
Edward A. Beard
Irene Alstadt
Russell Bristow
Richard Carruthers, Jr.
Jack DeSassise
Charles Dodge
Mike Foster
Dr. Edward W. Harvey
Mrs. Andrew Marincovich
Berkeley Snow
Brian Davis
A. N. Thorndike
Dorothy Wootton
Jack Sutfin
Trygve Duoos
David T. McClean

The County Commissioners believe it is proper that the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee select the following officers as ex-officio members to their committee:

The Governor of the State of Oregon
Chairman of the State Highway Commission
Local State Senator
Local State Representative
Director of the Oregon Historical Society
Superintendent of Fort Clatsop National Memorial and
Presidents of the various Chambers of Commerce within Clatsop County

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any and all prior orders regarding appointments be and they are hereby deemed null and void.

Done and dated this 4th day of January, 1967.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BY Hiram C. Johnson Commissioner

BY Verne Stratton Commissioner

BY Lyle G. Ordway Commissioner

January 16, 1967

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Arthur S. Dempsie.

Members present were: Arthur S. Dempsie, Russell Bristow, Charles Dodge, Jack DeSassise, Ned Thorndike, Trygve Duoos, and George Fulton.

Also present was County Commissioner Hiram C. Johnson. Dr. Edward Harvey was again absent, as were the majority of the Committee.

Minutes of the meeting of December 19, 1966 were read and approved as read.

The grave of Mrs. Lahti was discussed and Jack DeSassise agreed to attempt to obtain background on Mrs. Lahti.

Letter to Mrs. Thomas Weir (Alta Schalk) was read.

Each member urged to make list of locations to be photographed and bring list to next meeting.

Suggested locations for photos:

1. Iron pin at Southwest corner of Block S, Lexington Street, Warrenton.

2. Old Clifton School.

3. Old Mission and Solomon Smith house - cistern at old mission.

Mr. Thorndike directed to take pictures of the above Clatsop Plains locations.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 P. M.

Signed,

G. C. Fulton

George C. Fulton,
Secretary Pro Tem

February 20, 1967

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Arthur S. Dempsie.

Members present were: Arthur S. Dempsie, Russell Bristow, Trygve Duoos, Jack DeSassise, Eli McConkey, Dr. Ed Harvey, Miss Dorothy Wootton, and George C. Fulton. Also present were: Commissioners Hiram C. Johnson and Lyle G. Ordway, and F. Kenneth Kneff of Box 375, Seaside.

Mr. Kneff discussed the grave of Mrs. Lahti at Seaside.

Mr. Dempsie read questionnaire from League of Women Voters.

#1 - Motion made by Eli McConkey and seconded by Russell Bristow that the Chairman answer the letter from the League of Women Voters to the effect that this committee was formed for historical purposes only. Motion carried.

Commissioner Johnson reported on visit by members of the State Highway Department and Historical Society.

Letter from Miss Elizabeth Walton read.

Mr. Johnson discussed cabins on Beneke Creek and on Soapstone Creek.

Capt. DeSassise reported on Mrs. Latty, who was widow of a bar pilot and wife of the first Postmaster of Seaside.

#2 - Motion made by Capt DeSassise and seconded by Russell Bristow that the matter of Mrs. Latty's grave be referred to the City of Seaside and the County Commission be requested to inform the City of Seaside. Motion carried.

Dr. Harvey accounted for his absence.

#3 - Motion made by Capt. DeSassise and seconded by Eli McConkey that the County Commission mark the place where the Japanese shells hit in the area of Battery Russell during World War II. Motion carried.

There being no further business, upon motion, the meeting adjourned.

Signed,

G. C. Fulton

George C. Fulton,
Secretary Pro Tem

Dodge Honored on 95th Birthday

Charles Dodge, long time official of the Clatsop Historical Society, was honored on his 95th birthday by a small group of friends Saturday night. Dodge, a member of the grounds committee of the society, still takes an active part in keeping the premises clean and orderly, society members report. He and Mrs. Dodge are preparing to cut the birthday cake in the picture above.

Above photo taken by Ned Thorndike.

March 20, 1967

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Arthur S. Dempsie, at 8:05.

Members present were: Arthur S. Dempsie, Richard T. Carruthers, Jr., Russell G. Bristow, and A. N. Thorndike. Also present was Mr. F. K. Kneff.

Chairman Dempsie reported call on City Manager Max Pope of Seaside re. moving the Latty grave. Suggested concrete slab to establish new location only a few feet away.

Chairman Dempsie reported on visit with Fritz Sovey in California.

A discussion was held on a brochure.

Indicated request for $1,000.00 be included in the 1967-68 budget for proposed expenses for this committee.

MOTION 1. It was moved by Russell Bristow and seconded by Richard Carruthers that the above mentioned recommendation for $1,000.00 to be included in 1967-68 county budget for proposed expenses for the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee be presented to the Board of County Commissioners. Motion carried.

MOTION 2. Moved by F. K. Kneff and seconded by Russell G. Bristow that the next meeting of the Historical Advisory Committee be held on May 15, 1967. Motion carried.

Following a discussion on sundry historical matters, the meeting adjourned.

Signed,

A. N. Thorndike

A. N. THORNDIKE,
Secretary Pro Tem

May 15, 1967

Meeting called to order by Captain Jack DeSassise at 8:20 P. M.

Members present were: Ned Thorndike, Jack DeSassise, Irene Alstadt, Dorothy Wootton, Trygve Duoos, Eli McConkey, and George Fulton. Also present was Commissioner Verne Stratton.

Minutes of the meeting of March 20, 1967 were read and approved.

It was moved by Jack DeSassise and seconded by Eli McConkey that Ed Harvey be asked to advise the committee as to location and cost of marking homes. Motion carried.

The request was made that the County Commission advise this committee as to what progress is being made regarding the Japanese shelling of the Oregon Coast. Mr. Stratton reported, working on shells.

The Committee is awaiting the report from Mr. Bristow on the Westport tunnel.

Regarding pictures to be taken by Mr. Thorndike, of the various historic spots; Mr. Thorndike asked that a list of the locations to be photographed be supplied.

Committee instructed Mr. Ned Thorndike to take pictures of:

1. Arthur Fertig home.
2. Tagg house (Morrison).

<u>All members urged to bring to next meeting a list of suggestions for possible pictures.</u>

Jack DeSassise was instructed to contact the honorable "Tombstone" Thompson regarding cost of reconstructing the Shively tombstone.

Commissioner Stratton suggested the taping of interviews with old timers.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Signed,

G. C. Fulton

GEORGE C. FULTON
Secretary Pro Tem

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June 16, 1967

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE CLATSOP COUNTY
HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Please be advised that upon information received today from your Chairman, Arthur S. Dempsie, the Committee will not meet during the summer months. You will receive a copy of the minutes for the month of May, 1967 at the time you receive your notice for the first meeting in the fall, which meeting will be held on Monday, September 18, 1967 in the Board of Commissioners Chambers.

However, should an emergency arise, you will be notified of a special meeting.

Your efforts over the past months have been greatly appreciated, and we know you will meet the coming year with much enthusiasm.

Very truly yours,

ARTHUR S. DEMPSIE, Chairman

By, Helen C. Griffith
(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith,
Secretary to Board of Commissioners

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November 16, 1967

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE CLATSOP COUNTY
HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Enclosed, please find a copy of the minutes for May 15, 1967, your last meeting of the year. You may wish to include these in your files.

You will note the underscored item in the minutes, and may have a contribution to make toward suggestions.

The regular meeting of your Committee, which will be held in the office of the Board of County Commissioners, will be Monday, November 20, 1967 at 7:30 P. M.

Since your last meeting Captain Jack DeSassise passed away. At the time of his service, upon conversation with your Chairman, Arthur Dempsie, a floral piece was ordered from the Historical Advisory Committee and Board of County Commissioners. Should you wish to contribute toward this remembrance, you may leave 25¢ with George Fulton, at the meeting Monday evening.

Very truly yours,

ARTHUR S. DEMPSIE, Chairman

By, Helen C. Griffith
(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith,
Secretary to Board of Commissioners

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November 20, 1967

Meeting called to order by Chairman Pro Tem, Dr. Edward Harvey.

Members present: Dorothy Wootton, Irene Alstadt, Ned Thoorndike, Eli McConkey, Dr. Edward Harvey, Charles Dodge, Russell Bristow, Trygve Duoos, and George C. Fulton. Commissioner Hiram C. Johnson was also present.

Minutes of the meeting of May 15, 1967 were approved and presented.

Dr. Harvey reported on signs erected at the Vera Gault home and the Clatsop Plains Pioneer Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Russell Bristow recommended that Mr. Rolf Klep design a marker for location where the Japanese shell hit the Coast and that if he didn't, Mr. Bristow would not donate the diving suit to the Maritime Museum.

Mr. Bristow reported no information at this time on the Westport Tunnel.

It was moved by Dorothy Wootton and Irene Alstadt and seconded by Russell Bristow that the County Commission be asked to take immediate steps to preserve the old Lindgren house. Passed unanimously.

It was moved by Ned Thorndike and seconded by Eli McConkey that the Oregon Land Markers could be urged not to change the name of the John Day Dam. Passed unanimously.

Moved by Russell Bristow and seconded by Eli McConkey that the John Day River in Clatsop County be marked on both ends of the bridge. Passed unanimously.

Dr. Edward Harvey volunteered to contact Gravestone Thompson regarding the cost of rehabilitation of the Shively and Olney Tombs.

Chairman Edward Harvey appointed Eli McConkey, Irene Alstadt, and George Fulton to determine the location of the start of the Astoria Fire of 1922.

Following some discussion, the Committee recommends to the Board of County Commissioners that Helen Spicer Griffith be named as a member of the Historical Advisory Committee.

During a general discussion, the Committee requested that the minutes and notices of the meetings be mailed at least six days prior to the meetings.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:33 P. M.

Signed,

GEORGE C. FULTON,
Secretary Pro Tem

Be It Remembered, *That at a regular meeting of the Honorable* ~~County Court~~ Board of County Commissioners *of Clatsop County, State of Oregon, begun and held at the Court House in Astoria, in said county, on Wednesday, the* 1st *day of* November *A.D.* 19 67, *and from day to day thereafter during the continuance of said term.*

Present, Hon. Hiram C. Johnson, Commissioner ~~County Judge~~

Hon. Verne Stratton, *Commissioner*

Hon. Lyle G. Ordway, *Commissioner*

Mary Hay, *Clerk*

Carl B. Bondietti, *Sheriff*

WHEREUPON, a term of said court is begun and holden on Friday *the* 24th *day of* November *A.D.* 19 67, *the same being the* 17th *day of said term of said court, and among proceedings the following was had, to-wit:*

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING ADDITIONAL)
MEMBERS TO THE CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL) ORDER
ADVISORY COMMITTEE)

This matter coming on at this time before the Board of County Commissioners of Clatsop County, Oregon, sitting for the transaction of county business, and it appearing to the Board that in the interest of promoting the economic aspects of Clatsop County history the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee should include an additional member, to replace Capt. Jack DeSassise, deceased.

It is therefore hereby ORDERED that the following be, and is hereby appointed to serve as a member of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee, until the further order of this Board:

Helen Spicer Griffith

It is further ORDERED that the name of Capt. Jack DeSassise, Deceased, be removed from the present membership.

Done and dated this 24th day of November, 1967.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

By Hiram C. Johnson, Commissioner

By _____ Commissioner

By Lyle G. Ordway Commissioner

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DAVID S. DICKSON, ASSESSOR

December 11, 1967

Mr. David Talbot
Oregon State Highway Department
State Highway Building
Salem, Oregon 97301

Dear Dave:

I had hoped you'd get down here for the Lewis & Clark doings last week end so that we could talk.

In the last meeting of the Clatsop County Advisory Committee it was moved that the John Day River just east of Tongue Point should be suitably marked at both ends of the bridge on Route 30. Because of the historic significance of this name to the State of Oregon, I wonder if this should be done by the Highway Department, or if we should do it with our (your old discards) markers. Would you let me know?

With personal regards,

Cordially,

Ed hcg.

Ed Harvey

EH/hcg

P. S. - Please address your reply to 1236 West Marine Drive, Astoria, Oregon 97103.)

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1811 he nearly died on the Snake River, near Weiser, Idaho.

Year later (1812) he again nearly lost his life near the mouth of the river now known as John Day in Eastern Oregon; Indians stole everything including his clothes.

Later joined the Robert Stuart party returning to St. Louis, Mo. with dispatches to John Jacob Astor.

At Wapato Island (Deer Isle) he became deranged; was returned to Astoria where he lived in a cabin on this creek known as John Day, near Tongue Point.

Died in Idaho in upper Snake regions.

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December 11, 1967

Thomas Vaughn, Executive Director
Oregon Historical Society
235 S. W. Market Street
Portland, Oregon 97200

Dear Tom:

The Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee in its November 20th meeting took a definite stand on the naming of the John Day Dam. This committee is quite opposed to the possibility of naming it the Kennedy Dam. It is believed that the historical significance of John Day is of utmost importance and that that name should be given to the dam.

It is hoped the Society's naming committee will be so advised.

Cordially,

CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

By, Edward Harvey
Chairman Pro Tem hcg.

EH/hcg

P. S. - Please address your reply to Dr. Edward Harvey, 1236 West Marine Drive, Astoria, Oregon 97103.

December 18, 1967

Meeting called to order by Chairman Pro Tem, Dr. Edward Harvey.

Members present: Dr. Edward Harvey, Irene Alstadt, Ned Thorndike, Russell Bristow, Jack Sutfin, and Helen Griffith.

A discussion was held concerning the size of the committee. The members agreed that it was too cumbersome and should be pared. It was the recommendation of the committee that the County Commission reconsider the nominees to this committee and that they delete the "inactive members". corrected 1/15/68 hcg. Dr. Harvey stated that the committee could be cleared up by the County Commission and get on a good sound basis. The names are good, but each person should be contacted and asked if they will serve.

Irene Alstadt suggested that this is a new year starting and a good time to call the members and ask if they are interested in continuing and will attend meetings.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as submitted upon motion of Irene Alstadt and second of Russell Bristow. Motion carried.

It was reported that the error in the sign on the Hilda Erickson house will be corrected by Arvid Wuonola, as soon as possible. corrected 1/15/68 hcg.

Ned Thorndike asked if the house on the Southwest corner of 7th and Exchange has any history. Some discussion followed.

A report was made on the Westport Tunnel at this time, by Jack Sutfin. When Mr. Sutfin gets his deeds from his attorney they will show the date of building the tunnel. They had to pay 8¢ a thousand for the logs when they put the tunnel through there. Then a railroad was put through there. Johnson Logging Company provided the logs.

Mr. Sutfin asked about the construction of a railroad going from the Clatsop Plains through Saddle Mountain area. corrected 1/15/68-hcg

Dr. Harvey asked Jack Sutfin to give another report on the Westport Tunnel by January or February meeting. If a history can be provided by about

the 7th or 8th of January to Dr. Harvey, he will bring the matter up, with a marker in mind, with Tom Vaughn, who is coming down at that time. He feels this is historically valuable and should be marked. Irene Alstadt stated that to the best of her knowledge this is the only tunnel the oxen went through, in the Northwest.

Russell Bristow suggested that we should get busy in the Clifton area. There are a number of things in this area which should be considered.

With reference to the Westport Tunnel, Jack Sutfin had thought of cleaning it out himself so he could use it, since it adjoins his property.

At this point it was moved by Irene Alstadt and seconded by Russell Bristow that Helen Griffith be made permanent secretary of the committee. Motion carried.

Dr. Harvey reported having talked with Rolf Klep and Mr. Klep will be very willing to do a drawing for the committee. He also will be expecting the diving suit for the Museum, as promised by Mr. Bristow.

Letters were read to the committee that had been sent to Tom Vaughn and Dave Talbot.

Dr. Harvey had called Thompson's three times and has heard nothing as yet. Will keep after them.

Irene Alstadt reported on the Astoria Fire. Said that the fire department should have record and possibly the Daily Astorian; however, has not had an opportunity to do these things. Will keep at it. It was stated that the fire was so bright the light in the sky could be seen clear to Portland.

Eli McConkey was to look up an old grave site in southern part of the county. Will ask for his report next time.

Discussed old holly tree in the Clifton area, which originally came around the Horn. The old redwood tree was brought to Clifton area about that time. Russell Bristow thought that perhaps Bumble Bee could clean off the place where the old house was and preserve the area where the big tree stands.

George Radich of Bumble Bee could probably help in this matter, suggested Mr. Bristow. Dr. Harvey asked Russell Bristow to be responsible for this item and report back to the committee. Also mentioned the old school house. If possible, Dr. Harvey would like to have this information before Tom Vaughn's visit.

Talked with Tom Vaughn about the ~~Eben~~ Edwin K. Parker house, up the Columbia River Highway. This home was built in 1876. The original clapboards are at least ten inches and in beautiful condition. This was mentioned at the November meeting.

Discussed marker imbedded in the walk at 10th and Commercial near Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company. Marked spot of first Printing Press in Astoria.

It was agreed that there should be a marker on the main highway to bring the Westport Tunnel into prominence, in order that the citizens be apprised of the historical spot and directions to reach it. Dr. Harvey says this should be done, using the markers the committee has on hand, and when the information comes to him he will see that Arvid Wuonola receives it for completion of markers.

It was moved by Irene Alstadt and seconded by Russell Bristow that this committee go ahead and bring the material on the Westport Tunnel to Dr. Harvey in order that he can see that the information goes to the painter, Arvid Wuonola, for the completion of the markers. Motion carried.

Dr. Harvey called Dale Curry and talked with him about the Pioneer Cemetary in Astoria at quite some length. There were stones at the Southeast corner at one time. Mr. Curry was most helpful, will look into the matter, and report back to Dr. Harvey. The Committee and the City to work together. Found that there were 650 people buried there.

This information to go to committee, County Commissioners, and Dale Curry - is there any possible way of our learning the whereabouts of all of the graves and possibly some of the markers?

Jack Suffin and Russell Bristow discussed the burial spot of Mr. Plympton, the man that Plympton Creek was named after. Grave is surrounded by an old iron fence that was put up at the time he was buried; no doubt to keep animals from bothering the grave.

Upon motion of Russell Bristow and second by Irene Alstadt the County Commission will be asked to warn any and all parties, companies, corporations that henceforth there shall be no trespassing or destruction of any single or multiple private or public graves in Clatsop County, in any private cemetary or public, unrecognized by county record or other public record, that they may be made responsible to report this matter to the Board of Commissioners. Motion carried. (This involves Crown Zellerbach and Boise Cascade)

The Committee discussed, at this time, various points of interest in the county.

Irene Alstadt will look into the old Carnahan home, which is on Clatsop Plains and still stands - facing the railroad track rather than the highway.

The Devlin house is not finished. Looked at 12th and Grand. Would like to mark it, but until it is in better condition, cannot.

Dr. Harvey reported on two houses at 3rd and Duane Streets in Astoria. Apparently both were built at the same time. Not in good repair. Will put them on the list and keep track of them.

Minutes should go to each person on the membership list. Subsequently, the county should write a letter to each member. Helen Griffith designated as a telephone committee to check with individuals.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned to meet on January 15th at 7:00 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen C. Griffith

HELEN C. GRIFFITH, Secretary

January 15, 1968

Meeting called to order by Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, Hiram C. Johnson.

Members present: Russell Bristow, Ned Thorndike, Irene Altstadt, Eli McConkey, Dr. Ed Harvey, George C. Fulton, and Helen C. Griffith. Also attending was Hiram C. Johnson, County Commissioner.

It was moved by Irene Altstadt and seconded by Eli McConkey that we ask Dr. Edward W. Harvey to be our permanent chairman. Motion carried. Dr. Harvey graciously accepted and immediately assumed the chair.

Dr. Harvey asked Hiram Johnson, Chairman of the County Commission, to bring this matter of membership to the Commission and go over those now named to the committee. There are several who are inactive and some who have expressed a wish to withdraw. These matters should be considered by the County Commission.

Dr. Harvey reported on the splendid progress being made with reference to the Pioneer Cemetery in Astoria, at 15th and Niagara, in the past three weeks. He has a plat from the city showing the placement of all the graves and it should not cost a lot of money to refinish the cemetery. Also, met with Dick and Dennis and we have a plaque. Was amazed to find there were 660 some bodies interred. Originally thought to preserve the Shively and the Olney graves, and possibly two or three others since the cost would be roughly $25.00 per stone to replace the headmarkers. Would like to see a chain fence around the cemetery, with the entrance from Niagara and a parking area just inside the entrance. Discussed the matter of funds for this, which will come from whatever source available to pay for the work at the time it is done.

George Fulton raised the question as to whether this comes under the jurisdiction of a county committee. Commissioner Hiram Johnson felt, historically speaking, yes, it would, if worked in conjunction with the city. Dr. Harvey stated that the city is very much interested in this matter.

It was moved by Eli McConkey and seconded by Russell Bristow that George Fulton be elected Vice Chairman of the Committee. Motion carried.

Ned Thorndike to go to Trygve Duoos to look into Devlin house and give us a report at the next meeting. The Secretary to notify Mr. Duoos.

Ned Thorndike suggested that perhaps Kenneth Neff of 235 Avenue G, Seaside, might be interested in being a member of the Committee. A letter to be sent to Mr. Neff, inviting him into membership, and asking Ned Thorndike, Trygve Duoos, and Kenneth Neff to come in to Commission meeting next Wednesday to discuss appointments to the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as read, questioned, and corrected.

The number to be appointed to this committee was discussed, and in going over the purposes it was noted that originally it was suggested that this be an eleven man committee. The members agreed that it is a good idea to keep it at this number.

The chairman suggested, after discussing the matter, that each member mark the third Monday of every month at 7:00 P. M. on his calendar as the date and time for the Advisory Committee meetings.

It was suggested that a copy of the organizational order be sent to Governor McCall.

It was mentioned that directly or indirectly this committee ties in with other groups, such as the Lewis & Clark Festival Association and the Arts and Humanities Committee.

A special note to be sent by the County Commission to the effect that all of these people are reappointed, with the admonition that they appoint someone in the area to represent them at the meetings.

Commissioner Hiram Johnson stated that he wanted to thank the mainstays of this committee for staying with the county and they should get some publicity. Secretary to notify the news media of the existence of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee, advising the Chairman, Dr. Harvey, of what has been sent.

Letters read to committee members from David G. Talbot, State Parks Superintendent, and Thomas Vaughan, Director of the Oregon Historical Society with reference to the John Day River near Astoria and John Day Dam.

Suggested by George Fulton that one of the markers be put in the John Day Park launching area.

Our Chairman, Dr. Harvey, with a thought to the future of the committee, suggested that the Chairman review the minutes of the preceding years and follow up in the succeeding years in order that he keep abreast with the program. Members agreed this idea would provide continuity.

The matter of markers along the highway was discussed. In order to have a marker on the highway there must be ample room to pull off the highway, park, and get out to view said markers.

Commissioner Hiram Johnson informed the members that the Commissioners are going to Salem on Tuesday to see if it is possible to transfer funds allocated for John Day Park to Cullaby Lake Park, since the new highway will apparently cut directly through John Day Park.

Dr. Harvey reported on Thomas Vaughan's visit to Astoria, stating that it was very satisfactory.

George Fulton brought up the matter of the place where the Astoria fire started in 1922. Irene Altstadt and Eli McConkey to look this matter up. As near as anyone can find out it was in the alley between the old Imperial Grille and the Beehive Department Store. The old Beehive went clear through the block from Commercial to Bond Street and between 11th and 12th Streets. We know the date, calendar month, and year and the hour was about 2:30 A. M. Dr. Harvey reminded the members that we must have this detail, along with the exact location, in order to put up the marker. The question was asked as to the place where the marker would be placed. It was suggested by Russell Bristow that a picture of the area be obtained, put on the marker, and attached to the Associated Building, giving the approximate location. If it is important to put up two markers, do so. George Fulton, Eli

McConkey, and Irene Altstadt to look into this matter further.

It was suggested that Al Grimberg and Emil Nyman be contacted to be on the Advisory Committee.

Dr. Ed Harvey reported on the Japanese shelling of the Oregon Coast. Legend written by Dr. Harvey. Monument is probably two, three, or four months away. Had said earlier this would be all concrete; however, this does wear away in time. We could have a thin piece of marble prepared and lay this in the concrete. Rolf Klep has this information before him. Eli McConkey was concerned over the fact that since there are no houses close by, someone would come along and spoil this marker. Parking to see the marker will be no problem, since Clatsop County has 400 feet of right-of-way along the highway at this point. Dr. Harvey will appoint a committee on this monument after the County Commission has appointed the new members on the Advisory Committee.

Reminded Eli McConkey of the little cemetary down at the South end of the county, on the Hamlet Road off of Highway 53. Eli going to take Ned on picnic and look into the matter of the cemetary.

George Fulton reported that he has been unable to find out anything about the Darryl Bergeson house or find anyone who knows anything about it.

Chairman Ed Harvey would like to have a list of old houses. Trygve and Dorothy both have been good, but Ed is a newcomer to the community and does not know the old houses, so would like a list of old sites or old houses which are markable as far as the State is concerned. This means they should be seventy-five years old or older. Asks the help of the entire committee to locate old homes.

Jack Sutfin and Russell Bristow to be a committee to write legend for potential highway signs - about fifty words - to put on rustic plank and two post type of signs.

Dr. Harvey to see Mr. A. E. Harder. Will take a tape recorder along and ask a few questions of him.

It was moved by Irene Altstadt and seconded by Russell Bristow that the

resignation of Arthur S. Dempsie be accepted, with regret. Motion carried.

Mr. Dempsie to be notified of this matter, along with the request that we would like his counsel and advice at any time.

Ned Thorndike to find out what he can about old Indian Burial Ground. This is near the entrance to the Ocean View Cemetary.

The matter of an observation spruce tree on the East end of Short Sands Beach bridge, was brought up. This is the tree the Indians climbed to see the ocean and site the ships. You can see this large spruce on the East side of the highway, which has a cross arm on it yet. Irene Altstadt to look into this matter. Will call on Leon Settem for possible assistance.

George Fulton mentioned a place in Hammond that is an Indian burial ground. George will contact Lawrence Rogers with reference to the matter. If the property is privately owned, it must be deeded to the public before we can use any authority toward restoration or marking.

Secretary to obtain condition of finances for current year, and have a report ready for the next meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FEBRUARY 19, 1968

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Dr. Edward Harvey.

In attendance were: Dr. Edward Harvey, Miss Dorothy Wootton, Bill Foster, [redacted], Clarence Sigurdson, Carl Labiske, Russell Bristow, Jack Sutfin, Ned Thorndike, Eli McConkey, Dick Carruthers, and Helen C. Griffith,members; Jim Thomson, Superintendent of Fort Clatsop National Memorial and representative from Clatsop County Historical Society; County Commissioner Verne Stratton; and Dick Thompson of Thompson's Astoria Granite Works.

Chairman Ed Harvey introduced Dick Thompson to those present, at the outset of the meeting, to report on the Pioneer Cemetary at 15th and Niagara, Astoria. Mr. Thompson reported that he had located five of the spires which originally came from the cemetary and these can be restored; however, none of them fit the bases he has. He thought that perhaps it would be better to have an entrance or parking space on 14th Street, rather than Niagara, as originally mentioned, since Niagara is such a busy thoroughfare.

Markers will be in the center of the cemetary, plus marker or identification at the gate. A number of those buried had been removed from the cemetary, by the families, through the years, but no record was kept of the removals, but with the map available, we can be quite accurate as to the placing of those stones which we do have. Mr. Thompson mentioned that very few old people were buried there. Most of the men were 27 or 30 years of age and several of the stones gave the names, along with their alias.

Also, Mr. Thompson stated that Mr. Larry Snyder found glass plates of the old original plat of the cemetary. Also, has little marker of a baby born at sea. The Cyrus Olney and Warren graves are definitely marked and Mr. Thompson will have no trouble matching them to the original locations. No mowing strips will be put in. The reason for this is the fact that they will be good for perhaps twenty years and then will begin to crumble. This should be set up permanently.

Regarding setting a maximum figure for the job, they will do the work by the hour - not going over the maximum amount set. They figure about $250.00 maximum to do the head-stones that are tilted and need resetting and those they have acquired. This does not

include the small stones up near the Shively tomb.

Dick stated that he will present definite figures and suggestions to the committee very soon.

It was moved by Russell Bristow and seconded by Eli McConkey that we accept Mr. Thompson's suggestions and that he turn in his estimate of costs as he said he would do. Motion carried.

Mr. Thompson brought up another subject, which we shall call "Phase Two". He would like to make a proposition to mark this cemetary. Would like to sell the marker, which stands out in front of his establishment, for $1095.00, less $795.00 (which would be the donation of Thompson's Astoria Granite Works), making the total cost to us of $300.00. Stone in the shape of the State of Oregon and whatever to be written in there by whichever people would have the final say so. The Committee thanked Mr. Thompson for this presentation and will discuss Phase Two further.

Discussed the possible fencing of the three sides to the street.

Commissioner Stratton mentioned the small stones, and Mr. Thompson said that possibly $200.00 or $250.00 additional fee would cover resetting the small stones.

Chairman Ed Harvey thanked Mr. Thompson for appearing before the committee, giving the information on cost of restoration of the Pioneer Cemetary at 15th and Niagara, in Astoria, offering the gift of a very large reduction in the price of a stone marker, and sharing with those present the copy of the plat of the cemetary. The decision was made that this copy of the plat should remain with Mr. Thompson, knowing that it is available should the committee need it for any reason.

Dr. Harvey to individually write or call Dale Curry, asking for better lighting in the area of the cemetary.

The suggestion was made that a news letter be put out regarding the families buried in the cemetary, with the possibility that information may be obtained as to removals of remains, by the families of the deceased, and possible further information as to the history of some of the individuals buried there.

It was moved by George Fulton and seconded by Dorothy Wootton that the minutes of the

previous meeting be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

Helen Griffith reported that the amount of $1,000.00 budgeted to the Historical Advisory Committee for 1967-68 fiscal year remains as that figure to date.

Report given on membership in committee. Several, who have stated they cannot take an active part on the committee, have expressed a desire to receive the minutes of the meetings in order that they might keep up with the activities and they will also be available on an associate basis.

Clarence Sigurdson brought up the subject of the old ship Cairnsmore, which lies just West of the Burma road, a short distance West of the bottom of the hill near Coffenbury Lake. Several facts are not now known about the ship, and Jack Sutfin suggested that a school teacher by the name of Ober, who resides in Gearhart, could give some information. Clarence Sigurdson will contact Quincy Robinson and get the name and address of his wife's sister, who might give us information on the Cairnsmore. Chairman Ed Harvey asked Mr. Sigurdson to bring in more of a report by the next meeting. Commissioner Stratton stated that the stern and bow are staked out; however, he does not know who did this. Jay Coffey was with Mr. Sigurdson when he blazed the area around the ship. The stern of the ship is toward the ocean. The ship has a steel hull. The yard arm became the boom on a digger that was used for years to prepare dikes.

Chairman Harvey called on Jack Sutfin and Russell Bristow on the tunnel at Westport. Jack has more history on the logging through the tunnel and in the area and history on Westport. Will bring a group of pictures to the next meeting and will bring information to Ed Harvey. It was mentioned that Eddie Ryan, who lives at the Elks Lodge, has quite a bit of information on the tunnel. His father, Jack Ryan, logged in the area at that time. Jack Sutfin says the West family owned all the land around there. Dorothy Wootton said that Hazel McGuire (Mrs. Ivan Clark), who lives at Terwilliger Plaza in Portland, is related to the West family. She may have some information to further enhance the story of the tunnel.

George Fulton made a report on the Astoria Fire in December of 1922. The fire started in the basement of the BeeHive Department Store and on the West wall. Either in the basement of the BeeHive or Bill Madsen's Cigar Store. Source of his information is Albert

Grimberg and Emil Nyman. Emil Nyman was there shortly after it started and as far as they could determine, it was in some baled cotton goods on the West wall of the BeeHive. Bill Foster says we can get the exact time of the fire from the log at the fire station. The fire was in the Copeland Building, where the BeeHive was located. Fire started at 2:30 A.M. This would be where the Astoria Office Appliance Company is now located.

Eli McConkey could not give a report on the place he was to check out, since his wife is seriously ill; however, Eli says his wife had seen Dan Young, who said that Eli should contact him and this he will do as soon as it is possible for him to do so.

Chairman Ed Harvey had spoken to Trygve Duoos. A letter from the city was received saying we can go ahead with this project on top of the hill.

There are quite a number of old homes, with much history, in the City of Astoria. Dr. Harvey would like to get a good map of the City of Astoria, marking the place where these homes are located and prepare such a map for the summer tourist season. Dr. Harvey asked Dick Carruthers to look into the matter for the committee.

Russell Bristow had talked with Andrew Marincovich about the history of this famous holly tree. It was the first holly tree planted in the State of Oregon, to his knowledge. It is located at the Bumble Bee Cannery buildings in Clifton. Mr. Bristow suggested that a marker be placed at the highway, relating the history of the area and directing visitors to the road leading to Clifton, and giving the distance to the area.

Upon investigation, it was found that the Darryl Bergeson house is too young to be marked. It was built in 1900, and all houses should be at least 75 years old.

The Stephens home on the Northwest corner of Fourteenth and Franklin Streets, Astoria, would be a good one to be redone and marked. This house is now occupied by Enola Hughes.

Also, the Tuttle house and the John Trullinger homes are good prospects for markers. These homes are on Exchange Street between 14th and 15th Streets, Astoria, on the South side of the street.

The Geographic Names Board, is associated with the Oregon Historical Society. Dr. Ed Harvey will attempt to get someone from this area on the Board.

The resignation of Mr. Berkeley Snow was accepted with regrets. A letter is to be

written, asking him to be available for advice at times, when we might need his knowledge.

Dorothy Wootton suggested that perhaps Marshall Leathers might act on the committee as an associate member.

Dorothy Wootton asked about a marker for the first cannery. Ned Thorndike gave her all the information he had available.

George Fulton brought up the matter of the Pioneer Cemetary at 15th and Niagara, Astoria. We have several people in the City very interested in this program; Dale Curry, Larry Snyder, and Ray Ala, being among them. Mr. Fulton suggested that someone from this committee attend a city council meeting and present it to them cold. Suggested that O. K. Atwood might like to work toward the conclusion of this program. Dr. Harvey to set up the new committee on said Pioneer Cemetary program.

The members talked about the building which was supposed to have been the Town Hall for the Town of Lexington. There then followed a discussion of various places of interest at this time.

Helen Griffith to ask Paul See about the old Clatsop School - whether it is still standing and thedate it was built.

George Fulton asked about the marker for the spot where the Japanese shelled the coastline. Rolf Klep is preparing a sketch to be used on a cement based monument. The marker will be a brass plaque set into concrete. It is to be placed just off the highway, as close to the area as possible.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Helen C. Griffith
(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

NOTE: Dr. Harvey contacted the various people mentioned, with reference to serving on the Pioneer Cemetary committee, which committee follows: Chairman William Foster, Dorothy Wootton, and Richard Thompson, with Mr. O. K. Atwood acting as an advisor.

CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 18, 1968

The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chairman, George Fulton.

In attendance were: Bill Foster, Dorothy Wootton, Irene Alstadt, Jack Sutfin, Russell Bristow, Eli McConkey, Carl Labiske, Jim Thomson, Dick Carruthers, Commissioner Hiram C. Johnson, George Fulton, and Ned Thorndike, and Helen Griffith.

It was moved by Eli McConkey and seconded by Bill Foster that the minutes be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

Discussed the two letters from Dick Thompson. George Fulton stated that we should really go to work on the City for proceeding under this program.

It was moved by Dorothy Wootton and seconded by Irene Altstadt that copies of the two letters from Dick Thompson be send to the City Council, along with the request to be placed on the agenda at the [redacted] Council meeting, advising Chairman William Foster of the date the committee is to appear before the council. Motion carried.

Eli McConkey announced that he and Ned Thorndike would take care of their matter before the next meeting.

Dick Carruthers stated that printing on 8½ x 11 inch paper would be about $50.00 and about $75.00 additional for 5,000 copies. With the art work involved, the entire expense should come to about $200.00 complete, on a good grade of paper. Map to show houses with historical markings. It was suggested the map should determine the route to follow, rather than spot showing of the homes.

A discussion followed concerning such a brochure marking the historical homes. It was stated that this is a Chamber of Commerce function and the folder has a map of the city; however, it is rather cluttered with other items. After much discussion, Hiram Johnson suggested that a copy of the map be put in a prominent place at the Historical Museums, with listings so those interested could ask about them and then go from there.

George Fulton asked who would be the logical group to stand the expense of preparation of this item. Jim Thomson said that probably the Chamber of Commerce

and Historical Society should combine for expense.

Suggested by Irene that this listing be entered on brochure by address and then a notation stating that "For further information regarding the old historical homes, same could be obtained at the museums". At least, for a starter, they should be listed in the Chamber brochure.

Eli McConkey suggested one in Historical Museum, one in Maritime Museum, and one at Fort Clatsop Memorial, and one at the Astoria Column. This was agreed by all as being a good idea.

It was suggested by Jim Thomson that the Historical Association at Fort Clatsop and the Historical Society could help finance a program of this type.

George Fulton suggested that Ed Harvey draw up a scenic route, and present it to Astoria Chamber of Commerce first.

It was moved by Irene Alstadt and seconded by Russell Bristow that the above suggestion by George Fulton, with reference to scenic route, be in order. Motion carried.

Meeting turned over to Jack Sutfin for his report on the Westport Tunnel. Jack presented pictures and a written report. It was suggested by Jack that nothing be done about putting up a plaque at the tunnel until it has been cleaned out, because it is a disgrace as it stand at the present time.

Hiram Johnson stated that the county is planning to work on this matter. It had been more or less left up to Burnby Bell, but now would proceed as soon as it is possible to do so. There is at least one private ownership near and suggested that time would take care of the matter.

It was suggested by George Fulton that the county be asked to put up a cyclone fence at each end of the tunnel so that people could get near and see it, but it would keep out vandals.

It was moved by Irene Altstadt and seconded by Bill Foster that the County Commission be urged, under the parks program, to make the Westport Tunnel a place of interest and mark it accordingly. Motion carried.

George Fulton presented a report regarding the Astoria Fire. He contacted the owner of the Copeland building. The owner has tentatively given approval, but would like more information, knowing exactly what we intend to do. It was George's suggestion that a granite stone be used. Asked for the opinions of members.

It was suggested that perhaps some of the fraternal organizations or service clubs might like to under write this program of the marker.

Russell Bristow mentioned that there is no further information, at the present time, on the holly tree. Has talked about it a little bit, but has had no time to do anything further.

Dorothy Wootton report on the first cannery in the area. She stated that the marker, which had been mentioned before, was not the one for the first cannery. Thought that Bumble Bee had no plan for the first cannery, but thought that same was at Westport. Dorothy stated that her brother, Bill Wootton, would be glad to carry the matter further.

Helen Griffith to continue to work on information regarding the Clatsop School at Dellmoor.

Talked about the town of Lexington, which was the first county seat in Clatsop County. Read item from Daily Astorian of March 12, 1968 wherein items (bricks) from the old city hall were mentioned. 13th Street near Crab Pot, toward the high school on the Northeast portion of the "Y" at Warrenton and highway 101.

Hiram Johnson suggested that sometimes the State will put up markers, but you need to keep at them.

Regarding the aforementioned bricks, Dick Carruthers to contact E. R. Baldwin to ask about Mr. George Corrigan, to determine exactly where the chimney was that was torn down. It was felt that either Lawrence Rogers or Jake Bosshart could tell us.

George Fulton suggested that everyone take a look at the Pioneer Cemetary on Clatsop Plains. The county crew, through urging of County Commission and on order of John Dooley, have improved the condition of the cemetary very much. George also

mentioned the poor condition of some of the wood markers on the graves. The names have worn away and can no longer be distinguished. Records were lost during the time of the depression. At that time, through an act of legislature, it became a Pioneer Cemetary and turned over to the county.

It was suggested that the January, 1939 microfilm records in the library might be a possible source of information on the Pioneer Cemetery.

Bill Foster brought up the matter of locating the 40et8 French Train at the Northwest corner of the property of the Historical Museum.

George Fulton mentioned the two old cannons down at the Port of Astoria. Couldn't find them, but did find two others in the city junk yard. Did not know about the origin of them and his son said they were the cannons from the military section of the cemetary. Dick Carruthers said that replicas of the types of guns we might be interested in could be obtained from the Dixie Gun Works in Union City, Tennessee.

Carl Labiske to assist in putting together a map of the historical homes.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 15, 1968

The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chairman, George Fulton.

In attendance were: Jim Thomson, Trygve Duoos, Carl Labiske, Eli McConkey, Ned Thorndike, Jack Sutfin, Irene Altstadt, Bill Foster, Dorothy Wootton, George Fulton, Commissioner Hiram Johnson, and Helen Griffith.

It was moved by Irene Alstadt and seconded by Carl Labiske that the minutes be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Eli McConkey and Ned Thorndike decided to call off the trip, this past month, regarding the cemeter~~ies in the county~~ South of Seaside in Hamlet. They are planning on going Thursday and taking Carl Labiske with them.

George Fulton asked that the secretary see that the letters from Dick Thompson go to the City Council, along with the request that the matter of the Pioneer Cemetery at 15th and Niagara in Astoria be placed on the agenda and that the Pioneer Cemetery committee chairman, William Foster, be notified of the date when such committee can appear before the Council.

George Fulton said that he had talked with Ed Harvey about some chain which is available for use at the Pioneer Cemetery and is being saved for that purpose.

It was again mentioned, by George Fulton, that the monies in the fund could not be spent within the city, asking the committee again, if this is their feeling on the matter. The committee agreed.

Jim Thomson had done nothing further with reference to financing a folder for 'tour of historical homes'. He will call Jean Hallaux regarding said financing.

Carl Labiske said that the committee he is working with ~~are~~ is meeting tomorrow afternoon, April 16, at 4:00 P. M. regarding the brochure. He will meet with Jim Thomson also.

According to reports from Jim Thomson and Bill Foster, preparations have gone ahead for starting the foundation for the box car placement at the Historical Society grounds. Committee is proceeding with same.

It was reported that two students from Astoria High School went on a tour of Eugene, saying that outside of a few churches and the University, they saw nothing. Thought what a lot we have to offer and nothing being done about it.

Mr. Vieeg suggested as possible resource material for such a project.

Trygve Duoos reported had been hunting for old homes in Upper Town. Mentioned Ben Ekoos home on or about 38th street, Ed Lund's home, the old Adams home in that same area as the Ekoos home.

Hiram Johnson asked about the home Leon Overbay's brother bought on Irving avenue as well as mentioning Mangor Akse's old home.

Dorothy Wootton mentioned the old Phineas Callendar house where the Fertigs live; also the old Morrison house.

Ned Thorndike and Ed Harvey talked with the Highway Department and were told the John Day plaque would be put in county park when they start building the new highway. Letter soon to be incorporated in the records.

Jack Sutfin reported that he has talked with the lady, who has been a source of information for him on the tunnel at Westport, and she said it was built in 1890.

Dorothy mentioned the little house on the right side of road near Reed and Hertig, as being the old Schimpf home.

More discussion followed on the Westport tunnel, and it was suggested that perhaps Burnby Bell might be able to give us more information to supplement that given us by Jack Sutfin. George Fulton asked that the next time Jim Thomson visit with Burnby, he might bring up the matter, providing Burnby felt up to complying with the request.

Dorothy reported not having had the opportunity of talking with her brother on the canneries, as yet.

No progress reported on marker for spot where the Japanese shelling of the coast took place.

Carl Labiske called Mr. E. Parker. Dr. Harvey and Tom Vaughan had been out there when the plaque was dedicated for the Powell House. Dr. Harvey has the information on the house and brought information to Carl Labiske also. Originally was old Powell

home. Thought it was built about 1876. (Referred to now as the Powell-Parker home).

George Fulton reported that Mr. Dick Thompson had a sale for the stone he had offered for the marker at the cemetery; however, has another stone of a similar nature for us.

George Fulton asked who was the signer of the Oregon Constitution from this area, and it was thought that Cyrus Olney was that member. Dorothy Wootton was asked to research the history on Cyrus Olney as to whether he was a signer of the Oregon Constitution.

Hiram Johnson brought up the Pioneer Cemetery on Clatsop Plains and read the plans which had been made for improvement to said cemetery. Then George Fulton enlarged upon the beginnings of the cemetery. It was thought that Lawrence Rogers would have some information with reference to the cemetery.

Discussed the first landing of Lewis & Clark in the Lower Columbia area, finding that the party landed first on the Washington side of the river.

There being no further business at this time, it was moved by Ned Thorndike and seconded by Bill Foster that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

May 20, 1968

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Ed Harvey.

In attendance were: Jack Sutfin, Eli McConkey, Carl Labiske, Clarence Sigurdson, Ned Thorndike, Ed Harvey, Bill Foster, Hiram C. Johnson, and Helen C. Griffith.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as corrected.

The suggestion, regarding Mr. Vieeg as resource material for historical matters, which was brought up by George Fulton at April meeting, was discussed. It was decided that we should have the man's name and address for our records, for reference material, and George will be asked to supply this for us.

Referring to the April minutes, Dr. Harvey stated that there was apparently a misunderstanding regarding the Powell House. Dr. Harvey and Tom Vaughan did go out to the house; have given history to Tom; and they will mark the house.

Clarence Sigurdson asked about the D. K. Warren house. Dr. Harvey stated that we have tried to get this house for marking, and the family will not allow us to mark it. A discussion followed, with reference to the house, and names of several family members. Mrs. Charlie Higgins is a daughter of D. K. Warren, and the mother of Betty. Fred Warren is a brother of George Warren. It was felt that Leona Wibel probably has the information on some of these people.

Clarence Sigurdson brought up the matter of the Cairnsmore. He got hold of Quincy Robinson's wife, who promised to give him a letter regarding the Cairnsmore. Has heard nothing yet. Suggested that Mrs. Robinson get in touch with her older sister, who might write a letter to us. Mr. Sigurdson mentioned that fact that at the time he was a small child, the hull of the Cairnsmore was completely buried.

Dr. Harvey asked Clarence Sigurdson to see what more he could find out about the Warren house, especially, and then also the Cairnsmore.

Clarence Sigurdson stated that Carrie Lester gave him quite a story on her father, Finley Warren.

Regarding the matter of the chain for the cemetery, Dr. Harvey asked that everyone keep an eye out for cemeteries which use chain for boundary markings.

Ed Harvey brought up the matter of the use of the monies. Felt that if we put up a little money on these projects now, the City would come forth with funds to further work toward improvement of the Cemetery. Clarence Sigurdson suggested that the marking and location of the houses should be a county wide matter, but the matter of the cemetery is city business, since the property belongs to the City of Astoria.

Further discussion was held on this matter and Dr. Harvey asked the Committee to give the matter considerable thought.

Clarence Sigurdson asked if anyone knew the whereabouts of the five inch shell that was dug up following the Japanese shelling of the coast. A short discussion followed, during which time Dr. Harvey reported having given a legend to Rolf Klep and he is going ahead with preparation for the marker.

Dr. Harvey suggested that perhaps a motion should be made, with reference to payment,on work to be done at Pioneer Cemetery at 15th and Niagara by Astoria Granite Works, to give Bill Foster and his committee something to take to the council meeting.

It was moved by Eli McConkey and seconded by Bill Foster that we go ahead and spend the $385.00 on the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery, as presented to us by letter from Dick Thompson, as we had previously agreed to do. Motion carried. The vote followed: Opposed - One; In favor of motion:- 7.

Clarence Sigurdson suggested that the above motion be amended to include the total amount to be spent there at the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery. This motion died for want of a second. Further discussion was held at this time as to limiting the amount of funds to be spent at the cemetery.

Dr. Harvey asked that Jack Sutfin and Jim Thomson get together on the Westport tunnel. Jack Sutfin stated that there is no use in putting up a placque unless the tunnel is cleared out, because it is a mess at the present time. Also, there is a sewage problem in the area and it is pretty bad in the area, especially during the summer months.

Eli McConkey and Ned Thorndike reported on the cemetery in the Hamlet area, below Seaside. Ned stated seeing about six or seven plots. Said, if you

weren't looking for it you would miss it entirely. Eli had an old Crown Willamette map, which helped them in locating the cemetery. Eli mentioned that the latest burial was marked in 1937. Every grave found was marked. There were about forty families who lived in on that road during the first World War. The earliest birth date shown on a marker was 1842. Cemetery is located about 150 feet on top of the hill off the Hamlet Road; about three miles off of highway 53. The graves are all fenced in with wire fences and gates. Eli will give exact location of cemetery at next meeting. Dr. Harvey asked to make the trip with Eli and Ned, the next time they go out.

Clarence Sigurdson mentioned the grave of an old Indian woman, known as "Bear Woman". This grave is on the Columbia Beach road and is marked with a concrete slab.

Dr. Harvey made the announcement that on Thursday morning, May 23, Cox Cablevision has national people coming for a dedication. There will be a coffee hour at the Seafare at 9:30 A. M. followed by the dedication on top of the hill at 10:30 A. M.

Carl Labiske asked for the listing of historical homes we have to date. Carl also mentioned a cemetery near Walluski and not far from Lillenas family, at the end of the Lillenas road. It is just about 100 feet off of the present Crown road.

Hiram Johnson mentioned a cemetery which is located up near the Dan Young place. Eli McConkey stated the Mr. Young had said you would need boots to get there.

Eli McConkey mentioned that in talking with the woman, who told he and Ned about the Hamlet Cemetery, she commented on the fact that some young boy had appeared on their place, had become ill, later dying, and was buried on the property of this woman's family.

It was moved by Eli McConkey and seconded by Carl Labiske that the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee recommend to the Board of County Commissioners that the request for $1,000.00 be included in the budget requests for 1968-69. Motion carried.

Dr. Harvey stated he would contact Trygve Duoos and Dorothy Wootton about some of the old homes for marking in Astoria.

The fact was brought out that the old building in Warrenton area that Clarence Sigurdson thought was the town hall of Lexington was actually the Town Hall of Clatsop.

Clarence Sigurdson mentioned that the old Skipanon School was back of Colby's Service station and he also thought the old Clatsop School on the Dellmoor Road was torn down.

There being no further business, it was moved by Ned Thorndike and seconded by Bill Foster that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Helen C. Griffith
(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

June 17, 1968

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Ed Harvey.

In attendance were: Jack Sutfin, Ned Thorndike, Bill Foster, Ed Harvey, Jim Thomson, Hiram C. Johnson, Irene Altstadt, Russell Bristow, George Fulton, and Helen C. Griffith.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Chairman Ed Harvey asked Jim Thomson about the brochure information. Jim reported that as previously stated the cost would be $400 to $500 for 1,000 brochures, including the map and incorporated with City of Astoria brochure. Dr. Harvey asked about mimeographing a brochure, stating there is a machine available in the Seafoods Laboratory, which could be used for this purpose. Asked Jim Thomson to go ahead working with Carl Labiske on the folder and suggested that the sooner the better.

Bill Foster reported on his committee's appearance before the City Council meeting in Astoria. Dr. Harvey mentioned that the problem is solved, as far as the posts are concerned. Bill stated that the city is very favorable toward this program, but wanted to know exactly what was to be done and what it would cost. The center stone will be donated by the Granite Works. The granite posts will be four by six inches in size, will be set in cement and level with the ground. City concerned because of maintenance; thus, with the cement base it would make it easy for the mowers to work in the cemetery. Sidewalks and parking area would be up to the City of Astoria. With reference to the granite posts, Dick Thompson said they could probably be done for a figure of about $300.00. Could give us an answer in about a week. Dr. Harvey mentioned the fact, that the $300.00 we had planned to use for the center stone might be turned,rather, into payment for the granite stones. The center stone is a light pink color, with rough edges, which rough quality would match that of the granite stones. Ed Harvey had talked with Denny Thompson just before the meeting tonight.

It was thought we should go ahead and spendthe $350.00 to $400.00 on the granite posts and other items needed, but not to spend the county money if it isn't

needed. After some discussion on the matter, and upon the suggestion of Ed Harvey, it was moved by Jim Thomson and seconded by Russell Bristow that $415.00 be put into the hands of Bill Foster and his committee to be used, at their discretion, for the purchase of the granite posts to be used in the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery. Motion carried.

George Fulton asked if the City of Astoria was matching the county on funds and Bill Foster and Ed Harvey said yes. The city is putting in the walks and making the park way.

The Warrant for the setting of the stones, as originally agreed upon by the Committee and recommendation given to the Board of County Commissioners, is to be made to the Astoria Granite Works. This warrant will be in the sum of $385.00, and held until such time as the bill is presented by Dick Thompson.

It was also recommended, by the Committee, that the $415.00 warrant, which is to be made out to Bill Foster, be held until such time as the funds are needed, at which time Bill and his committee would dispense them.

Jack Sutfin and Jim Thomson reported on the Westport Tunnel. Proposed legend for the Westport log tunnel,it was agreed, would carry the date of 1888, since there is a slight variance in the times mentioned by those from whom the information was obtained. The "come on" sign should be set at the highway and then the legend set up at the tunnel itself. Notes for this to come for Jim Thomson in the next day or so, and to be incorporated in the minutes of this meeting. The highway sign will read "WESTPORT LOG TUNNEL".

Discussed the removal of the sewer or septic tank from the tunnel area. It was decided to prepare the signs, having them ready to go, and when the situation can be taken care of, perhaps by the county road crew, in the next month or so, then the signs can be put up.

Upon the suggestion of Ed Harvey, it was moved by Russell Bristow and seconded by Ned Thorndike, that we proceed with the two legends for preparation of the two signs, and these to be in the hands of Jack Sutfin. Motion carried.

Draft of Sign Texts
for
Westport Log Tunnel

Sign on Highway 30

Approximately _____ (distance to tunnel from the Westport end of old road, where sign is to be placed) southeast of here is the old log tunnel used in the late 1800's for oxen team hauling of logs to water, and then to sawmills in the vicinity.

Sign at the Tunnel

The town of Westport was first settled and named for John West, who established a sawmill at the site in 1856. In 1888 this tunnel was first excavated to haul logs by oxen team on a skid road from the Hungry Hollow Logging Camp, _____ south of here, as the distance around the hill was considered too far and not economically practical. The logs were hauled to the Westport Slough, just to the north, and then by water to sawmills in the area. In 1907 the tunnel was enlarged to permit the passage of a railroad and the logs were hauled in this manner. The tunnel and railroad were last used just prior to World War 1, as the log supply had been exhausted on the hills to the south. This is the only known visible relic of the old bull team logging operations in the Pacific Northwest, and the only tunnel known to have been constructed for this purpose.

The subject of the listing of the historical houses was brought up and Dr. Harvey stated he would get in touch with Trygve Duoos and Dorothy Wootton.

Ed Harvey reported that the legend on the Japanese shelling was given to Rolf Klep, who lost sight of it for awhile, but finally found it. Made a sketch giving it to Dr. Harvey, who gave it in turn to Denny and Dick Thompson. The legend to be put into marble and then a foundation of cement, with field stone imbedded in it. Thompsons wanted to know what will be spent on this marker. This will be the entire setup on the marker, regarding the Japanese shelling. Hiram Johnson ~~Irene Altstadt~~ talked with Vern Leach, who offered services either physical or financial of the American Legion.

George Fulton brought up, and discussed, the subject of the removal of the cannons and cannon balls from the Ocean View Cemetery. These had been located on the mound on the West side of the cemetery and around the plot of old military graves.

Irene Altstadt asked about the old guard house at Fort Stevens. Thought it was probably old enough to be considered for marking.

Ed Harvey mentioned that there would be a balance of $200.00, roughly, in the 1967-68 budget. It was suggested that George Fulton take this remaining money and have Denny and Dick design a suitable monument on the Japanese shelling.

It was moved by Irene Altstadt and seconded by Russell Bristow that a recommendation be made to the Board of County Commissioners that a warrant, in the sum of $200.00, be made out to George Fulton for the purpose of working toward the completion of a suitable monument on the Japanese shelling of our coast. Motion carried.

The chairman asked if the committee would rather disband for the summer. Committee agreed to continue through the summer to discuss problems and events, even though there might not be a quorum present.

It was recommended by the committee that an amended order be drawn to redraft the active committee, which order will also show those which will serve in an advisory capacity.

Hiram Johnson asked Irene Altstadt if she could find out any information on the Indian Lookout at Smugglers Cove.

Received letter from Berkeley Snow, to be incorporated in the minutes of this meeting, offering information regarding the Devlin house.

Sam Foster of Cannon Beach wanted to put up a legend in the area where Lewis and Clark secured three hundred pounds of blubber and some oil from a whale that had had the oil rendered by the Indians in the area.

It was moved by Jim Thomson and seconded by Irene Altstadt that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

July 15, 1968

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Ed Harvey. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, as corrected.

Members present: Trygve Duoos, Eli McConkey, Irene Altstadt, Jack Sutfin, Bill Foster, Dorothy Wootton, George Fulton, Ned Thorndike, Ed Harvey, and Helen Griffith. Also present were: Jim Thomson, representing the Clatsop County Historical Society; Hiram C. Johnson, Chairman of County Commission; and Mrs. John (Juanita) Price, 377 Altadena Ave., Astoria, Oregon, Telephone 325-3733, representing the AAUW on the Historic Homes Committee.

Ed Harvey announced he had delivered a legend to the Conrad Boelling house.

DEVLIN HOUSE: Arvid Larson purchased the home. Very anxious to have the house marked. House built by John A. Devlin. Married to Betty's (Mrs. Berkeley Snow) great aunt, who was Elise Rahles before marrying John A. Devlin. House was to be used for boys school, but church sold it to private individuals and there was a mortuary there. Dorothy Wootton to get a legend for Dr. Harvey within the next three days, if possible, and he will have a legend prepared. (Date mentioned by Dr. Harvey was 1880.).

Will have twelve houses marked or unmarked on the map to be prepared. These will go to the various museums and atop Coxcomb Hill. Hoping to have map completed this week. A discussion followed on the number of maps which should be prepared for this initial venture.

It was moved by Ned Thorndike and seconded by Bill Foster that 2,000 copies be run as a beginning number of maps of historic homes in Astoria. Motion carried.

Jim Thomson noted that approximately 28 historic homes are to be incorporated in the street maps to be presented by the Astoria Chamber. Jim stated he had talked about this with Carl Labiske. Ed Harvey questioned the 28 homes, feeling there were not that many. Jim to check with Carl.

Dorothy Wootton mentioned the fact she would contact Enola Hughes regarding the marking of her home.

BOY SCOUTS: Jim Thomson reported on a party of scouts coming from Pasco in whaling boats. Jim also told of the latest trek provided for the Scouts. The boys are to follow the Lewis and Clark Trail, which they are then to write about in an essay. After this has been done, and they qualify, there will be a medal presented to them. Tests are usually made in this fashion for the badges the boys receive from time to time. Ed Harvey stated that as he understood it, the girl scouts can also take advantage of this trail hike. Some discussion was held on the medal, as to type and interest. Jim explained that there will be an initial cost of $1,500.00 for the first batch of medals.

Ed Harvey talked with Dennis Thompson tonight, before coming to the meeting. They plan to start the work on the Pioneer Cemetary project tomorrow; actual location of specific family plots, relocation, etc.

Bill Foster stated that as far as the parkways and walkways are concerned, we should have only a four foot walk coming in from 14th Street, in to the central marker.

Suggested that we start the walk into the area where the rise begins. Bill will go to the Parks Commission with Ned Thorndike, to tell the City if they will dig out the walkway the county will pave the same. Hiram Johnson felt this would be possible, and perhaps could be taken care of when the crew is working in the area. To discuss the matter with the County Roadmaster, John Dooley.

Ed Harvey asked that Jack Sutfin present the Westport Tunnel highway sign, prepared by Arvid Wuonala, to Hiram Johnson on behalf of the Committee. Jack Sutfin will take this sign home and care for it until such time as it can be erected in the proper place on the highway. Following a short discussion, it was felt that perhaps the County Commission office might be a good place to leave this sign until such time as arrangements can be made for placing it, and then Jack can take it home with him.

Ed Harvey mentioned that Trygve Duoos was giving two houses to him by Wednesday; asked if Dorothy could do the same.

The State of Oregon owns property at the top of the tunnel. Setting aside

two acres. Will not sell it. Jim Thomson stated that the question arose as to whom the property would be deeded and would it be a wayside park? George asked if they blasted off the end of the ridge where the tunnel is. Jack Sutfin stated that the falls were dynamited out when the mill was put in. To be a county park. Front end of where trailer is, is county right-of-way. Hiram Johnson said he would check further and get the house out of there and the septic tank.

At this point the Committee "took five", while Mrs. Price took pictures of the Committee with the Westport Log Tunnel legend.

JAPANESE SHELLING OF COAST: A discussion was held with reference to the fact that it is so hard to keep anything nice that is put up for the enjoyment of the public. There is always so much vandalism. Bill Foster reported that there was fencing left from preparation of the French car, put together on the Historical Museum grounds by the American Legion, and that this could be used for fencing the marker on the Japanese shelling of the coast.

Ed Harvey read a copy of the legend to be used, asking for corrections to his legend. Several suggestions were made to bring it to its proper conclusion. The result follows:

"In this area, at 11:30 P. M. on June 21, 1942, nine five-inch explosive shells were fired from a large Japanese submarine. They were aimed at nearby Fort Stevens, the Columbia River Harbor Defense. This was the only shelling of a United States military installation since the War of 1812."

Irene Altstadt called and made three trips to Cannon Beach regarding the Indian Lookout at Smugglers Cove. Has not been able to contact the Settem family. Thinks the family must be away on a trip.

Send copy of legend on Japanese shelling to Lawrence Rogers. George spent a Friday afternoon with him and talked about same. Mr. Rogers will be happy to come and talk with the Committee regarding same, if given enough time to prepare for it.

At this time Mrs. Price was presented to the Committee and it was reported she is a member of the Executive Board of the AAUW. Mrs. Price reported that the AAUW

will again sponsor an Historic Homes tour this year. A tour of Oregon Land Marks in Astoria. The tour this year will be on August 18 - a Sunday. Will have four land marks on the tour, and it happens, this year, that the tour will proceed right up Franklin Avenue, which, in itself is historic for it was the first street built on solid land. The Tour will begin at the Historical Society Museum. Will visit three homes and the Grace Episcopal Church. The first home was first occupied by the Marshall Kinneys, built by Conrad Boelling. Now owned and lived in by the Erickson family. Then directly East to the house apparently built by Hiram Brown, and son, Charles, added to it. Then to Mrs. Vera Gault's home on 14th and Franklin, which was the old Charles Page home. The tour will finish with the stop at the Grace Episcopal Church. Following the tour, the tea will be served in the Fellowship Hall of the Church. Mrs. Price reported that it takes all sixty members of the Association to take care of the event.

It was suggested, to Mrs. Price, by Dorothy Wootton and Ed Harvey that the public not be allowed to go through entire house and also keep them moving and get them out and on their way to next stop. These matters accepted by Mrs. Price.

Ed Harvey mentioned that this tour is done for a purpose. The funds received are used for a scholarship fund.

Working with Baker. Have now three legends ready. Washington County has marked eight houses. Will change their signs to be consistent with those we have and thus it will become a state method, if we can get Forrest Cooper to understand what Ed is trying to get across.

Helen Griffith to have Committees ready by next meeting so each will know what he is working on.

Ned Thorndike asked that the copies of the minutes be mailed to each member as soon as possible after the meeting in order that the business of each month can be digested before the next meeting.

Posts at Westport Tunnel site to be metal. Should have picture taken as work is being done. Suggested that Ned Thorndike take pictures.

There being no further business, it was moved by Ned Thorndike and seconded by Dorothy Wootton that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Helen C. Griffith
(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

During the month, according to report from Dr. Harvey, much workhas been done at the Pioneer Cemetary on 15th and Niagara, and Ed says you are missing something if you have not seen the splendid work done by the Thompson boys.

In this area, at 11:30 p.m. on June 21, 1942, nine five-inch explosive shells were fired from a large Japanese submarine, ~~presumably Japanese~~. They were aimed at nearby Fort Stevens, the Columbia River harbor defense. This was the only ~~foreign~~ shelling ~~of~~ a United States military installation ~~shown during World War I~~ since the War of 1812

Rolf, Above is suggested legend. Do with it as you will. Ted Stokes might be helpful.

Ed.
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August 15, 1968

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE CLATSOP COUNTY
HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Just a reminder that the August meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday evening, August 19, 1968, at 7:00 o'clock P. M. in the office of the Board of County Commissioners in the Court House, Astoria. Enclosed is copy of July minutes for your files.

It is hoped you will find it possible to attend.

Very truly yours,

Helen

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

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CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

August 19, 1968

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Ed Harvey.

Members present: Ed Harvey, George Fulton, Jack Sutfin, Russell Bristow, Bill Foster, Dorothy Wootton, Ned Thorndike, Irene Altstadt, Eli McConkey, and Helen Griffith.

Also present were: Jim Thomson, representing the Clatsop County Historical Society; Hiram C. Johnson, Chairman of County Commission; and Dick Thompson, of Thompson's Astoria Granite Works.

Ed Harvey reported on the progress made in production of City of Astoria map pointing out the Historic Homes of Astoria. Delivered 200 to Chamber office,downtown; 400 to office on Coxcomb Hill; 400 to Clatsop County Historical Museum; 400 to Fort Clatsop; 200 to State Highway building; and 400 to Maritime Museum. Historic Homes of Astoria is title, giving date, builder, and location.

Dorothy Wootton reported that thus far she has been unable to contact Enola Hughes.

Jim Thomson stated that give or take a couple, there are approximately 28 homes and that these were Victorian types of homes. He just felt that these were those dated before 1900. Ed Harvey stated they must be 75 years old or older to be classed as historic homes. Ed stated, whenever a home is discovered the matter should pass through this committee in order that the proper history be obtained on them.

Ed Harvey discussed the matter of the walkway at the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery. Says it has been prepared already; that Dick Thompson had centered the stone in the cemetery, and the walkway is off several inches from the stone setting. Says this must be changed in order that it line up with the center stone.

It was moved by George Fulton and seconded by Bill Foster that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as read. Motion carried.

At this time the Chairman, Ed Harvey, presented Dick Thompson to those present. Dick reported that much has been done, with reference to the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery. Also, he has done some research and preparation toward marking the spot of the Astoria Fire, the Japanese shelling of the coastline, and a monument at the Astoria Column.

Dick had prepared possible legends for the various landmarks and Ed asked that everyone take them home, look them over, and return with corrections to be received by Ed Harvey no later than August 27.

Dick presented a bill in the sum of $435.00 for relocation and setting of 13 grave markers in Astoria Pioneer cemetery, $185.00 and Resetting and repairing 13 monuments, $250.00. This bill to be turned over to George Fulton and Bill Foster, to be paid with the money which had previously been set aside for this project.

ASTORIA FIRE: Dick reported that the plaque will fit on an 18" wide concrete column on the West side of Astoria Office Appliance Company. 12" wide by 18" high should be large enough for plaque. The fire started approximately 20 feet North of this marker and burned 32 square blocks of the city. Dick suggested this marker be made of black granite, with light background lettering. Providing we don't add too much to the legend it should be installed and engraved and in place for $120.00.

JAPANESE SHELLING OF COAST: Dick suggested a piece of granite 6" thick. Granite can be cleaned easily with acid and it will not disturb the stone. Stone would be in the shape of the State of Oregon, showing the submarine, the legend, and the spot on the coastline where the shelling took place. The dark areas are actually engraved into the stone. Will not make the engraving of the sub unless he can get the actual shape of the sub, along with the number of the sub. This would preserve the shape of the submarine and the spot.

Dick had a heavy cardboard sample of the type of stone which would be set up, and it was a light gray in color. The stone to be used will be very slightly darker gray than the sample copy shown to the committee. Copy of the drawing to be included as part of the minutes of the meeting. Dick says he would give their supplier an exact scale drawing of the State of Oregon and they will cut it. Will be imbedded about an inch or two along with dowels into the concrete. It will take about five years or so for the dark stain to wear off; however, the natural mossing will begin to take place by that time and it will naturally look that way.

Ned asked about (salt) rock. Dick says salt rock that large would have a flaw in it

and you can get a perfect or flawless piece of granite. Granite is guaranteed by Thompsons' suppliers. There is a full guaranty on it. If, in ten years time, it should show a flaw it would be immediately replaced free of charge. Depth of carving will not wear away. It will withstand a tremendous amount of punishment. Only a direct radiation hit would loosen it. No maintenance necessary, other than washing markings off of it from time to time.

When asked about the cost of the stone, Dick said that two stones at a time will cut the cost by $50.00. Not feasible for the supplier to cut just one.

ASTORIA COLUMN: Marker to show what Column is all about. Need something for visitors to take pictures of to take home for themselves. This marker should be right near the steps, on the rise of the hill at top of first flight of steps. Some discussion between Ned and Dick on the appearance of such a marker. Ned felt it would over balance the items there now. A general discussion held on the spot where this stone should be placed. The committee was reminded that we do not have any say as to where it shall be placed, but we can make suggestions to the City of Astoria.

Dick said that one granite marker, set without the split face, in concrete, would be $500.00. Would be $450.00 each with two at a time. This would be installed, engraved, everything included. This is without split face. If included, this would be $50.00 more. This marker would be put in area on Delaura Beach Road.

Ed Harvey to set up a meeting for Wednesday, August 28, regarding setting up the markers. Eli McConkey and Irene Altstadt added to committee for State Land Marks Committee out of Governor's committee. These names would be added to Dorothy Wootton's and Trygve Duoos'. To go to Salem to see Dave Talbot or Forrest Cooper, along with Ed Harvey and Dick Thompson. Will need to work through State on this matter.

Dick tried to work something out that would fit in with any situation.

George mentioned that the Governor has suggested that all manufacturers of Oregon adopt a trademark using the State of Oregon.

George Fulton and Bill Foster on committee to contact the American Legion and they should contact the Angoras to see if they want to go on this stone now and save the $50.00 per stone. It was suggested that we ask the Legion for $100.00 and the

Angoras for $100.00. It was suggested that Bill and George do what is necessary to obtain the necessary funds for these stones, and come back with a good report at the next meeting.

Chairman Ed asked if Dick Thompson had anything more to offer tonight on the Pioneer Cemetery. Dorothy, Bill, and George adjourned to another office to work over the legend for the center stone at the cemetery, coming back with an acceptable legend for Dick. Copy of said legend to become a part of the minutes.

Dorothy Wotton is on the committee for the preparation of the marker for the Japanese shelling of the coastline.

Ed Harvey reported that he had thought the marker on the Boelling home was up; however, it was not. Is checking on same.

Markers are on Cherry House and Devlin House. The Westport Tunnel marker is ready.

Ed asked if we need permission from the State for establishing this marker at Westport tunnel. (Says we do. On Westport side of tunnel.) Jack Sutfin says, yes, but tunnel must be cleaned out before marker goes up. Talked with State Forestry people and have set aside two acres for this park. One private ownership and after survey it was found his lines are correct. After some discussion, it was decided we must not put up sign until the area is cleaned up. Jack said State Highway crew was surveying this area to see who it belonged to. Jim Thomson says tunnel should be prepared so people can go through it and get the experience. Should be scooped and a drainage system installed so it can be approached during the wet weather also. Hiram Johnson says he will attempt to have some work done on it by next month.

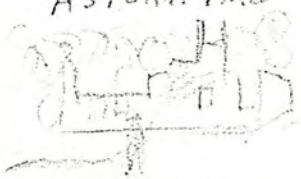
Ed Harvey stated that this is a committee appointed committee. Any marking or writing of legends must be approved by this committee. Recommendations to Board of Commissioners to come from this committee.

ASTORIA PIONEER CEMETERY: Ed talked with Rolf Klep on an entry way. Talked with Carl Bondietti about some old iron fencing we can use. Thought there was some available from an old reservoir. Entrance to show "Astoria Pioneer Cemetery". Ray

Deeded by James Welch to Astoria on April 22, 1865.
By 1891, 498 burials were recorded plus numerous unlisted interments.
It is known that bodies from abandoned cemeteries were brought here and that stones were removed by their families.

Legend to be inscribed on center stone marker in Astoria Pioneer Cemetery.

ASTORIA FIRE



FIRE THAT DAMAGED

DEC. 8, 1922

Astoria Fire

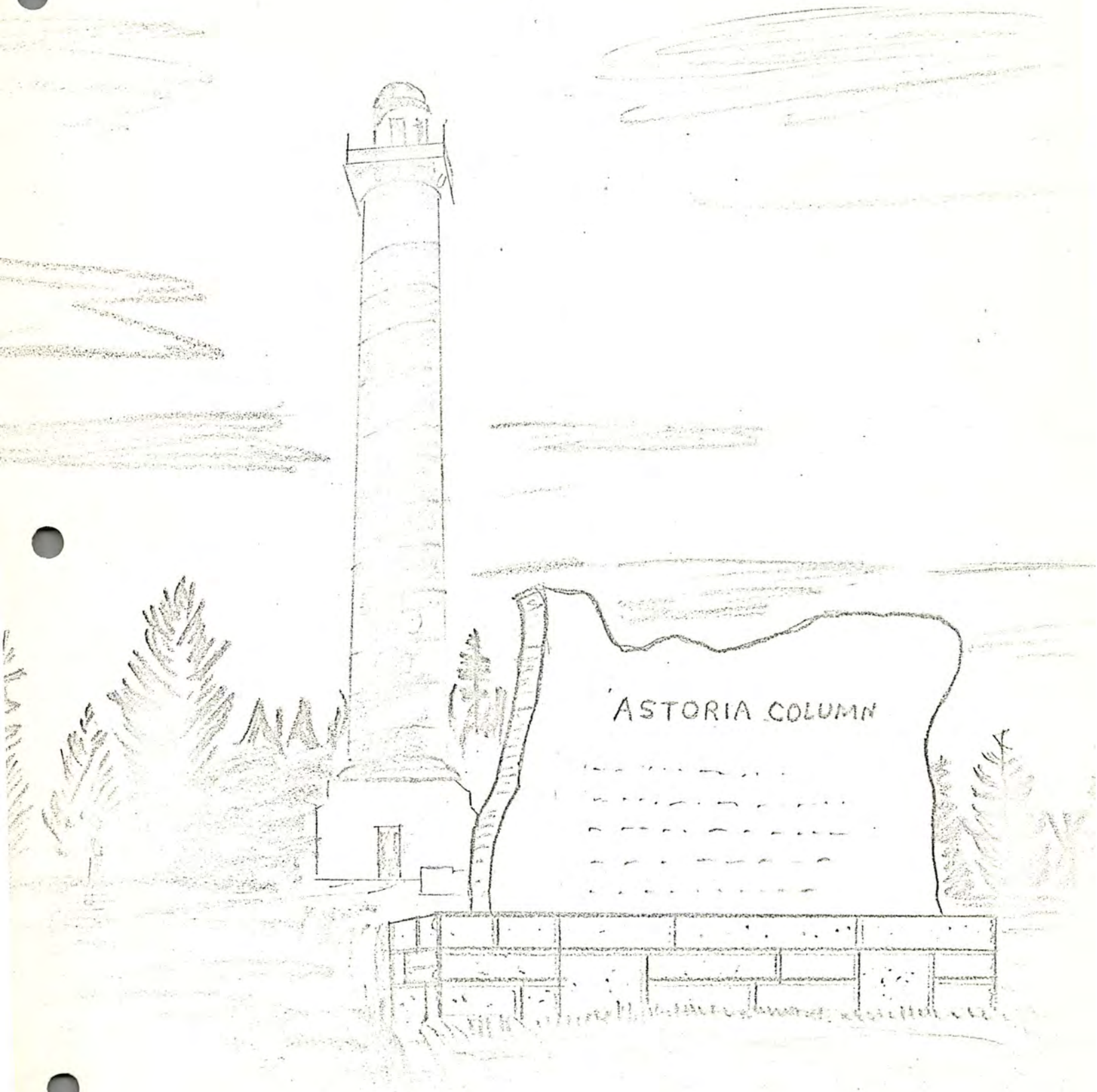
Dec. 8, 1922

Fire ~~that~~ started 20 feet North of here in the Bee Hive Department Store destroying 32 square blocks of the City of Astoria, Oregon.

Historical Landmark

On June 21, 1942 a 5.5" 47 Mm shell exploded here; one of 17 fired at Columbia River Harbor Defenses by a Japanese submarine. The only hostile shelling of a military installation on the U.S. Mainland during World War II; the first since The War of 1812.

HISTORICAL LANDMARK


ASTORIA COLUMN

Ala thinks he has this available material. Will let Ed know about it. If he has, we can incorporate it on each side of entrance way. Ed asked everyone to keep a look out for iron, wood, or possibly granite stone as possibilities for fencing for cemetery. If we get ideas, call Ed.

SCOUTS: Jim Thomson has nothing to report really. He stated that the scouting party coming to the area was a complete flop. They came into town one day earlier than planned. Came into Astoria, moored for the night, loaded up and returned to Portland. The Maryland group received considerable publicity on their trip out. Jim stated they had received advance notice as to time of arrival. Ed Harvey asked Jim Thomson to write to Kessler Cannon, Executive Secretary of Conference Committee on Natural Resources. Also Exectuve Secretary of the Oregon Lewis & Clark Advisory Committee, with copies to Ed Harvey and Leonard Vernon.

Dr. Harvey has two bills to present. It was moved by Ned Thorndike and seconded by Russell Bristow that the Committee recommend to the Board of County Commissioners the payment of $435.00 to Thompson's Astoria Granite Works for work done, to date, at the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery. Motion carried. (Money to come out of 1967-68 budget.)

It was moved by Dorothy Wootton and seconded by Eli McConkey that the Committee recommend to the Board of County Commissioners the payment of $7.27 to Ed Harvey for materials used in preparation of Historic Homes Maps. (This sum of money to come from current 1968-69 budget.) Motion carried.

Chairman Ed said he would like to get the walkway in this fall and possibly the gateway.

Discussed the matter of marking houses at this time. There are four houses in the Uppertown and Uniontown area which should be marked. Also some near the Halderman house which are of an early vintage, very simple, but excellent material. It was suggested that this committee call Ed Niska, 123 West Duane, and Martha Kearney for information on these homes.

It was suggested that probably we should have another highway sign for the Westport Tunnel, in order that people can see this from both sides.

Hiram Johnson asked if we might like to have Dave Talbot come down from the State Parks Service and the members present thought this would be a good idea, leaving it to Hiram to present the invitation.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

Clatsop County

ASTORIA, OREGON 97103

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DAVID S. DICKSON, ASSESSOR

September 12, 1968

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE CLATSOP COUNTY
HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Just a reminder that the September meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday evening, September 16, 1968, at 7:00 o'clock P. M. in the office of the Board of County Commissioners in the Court House, Astoria. Enclosed is copy of August minutes for your files.

It is hoped you will find it possible to attend.

Very truly yours,

Helen

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

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CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

September 16, 1968

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Ed Harvey.

Members present: Ed Harvey, Dorothy Wootton, Irene Altstadt, Bill Foster, Eli McConkey, Trygve Duoos, Ned Thorndike, Clarence Sigurdson, and Helen C. Griffith.

Also present was: Jim Thomson, representing the Clatsop County Historical Society.

As the meeting was opened, there were not enough members, to consider a quorum, present. Since no action could be taken until such time as there would be a quorum present, the members looked over the minutes of the August 19, 1968 meeting, making such corrections as would be acted upon later. On Page 2, last sentence on page, the "salt" rock should be "basalt" rock. On Page 4, fifth paragraph down, the second and third sentences are to be deleted since they add nothing to the minutes and are not clear. On Page 5, fifth paragraph down, the words "and Uniontown" are to be inserted in second sentence of paragraph following the word "Uppertown".

Following the appearance of the necessary members to make a quorum, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as corrected. Motion made by Dorothy Wootton and seconded by Trygve Duoos. Motion carried.

Jim Thomson corrected his previous statement with reference to the 28 homes which were considered historic homes in Astoria. Thomson had discussed the matter with Carl Labiske and found that the figure 28 meant the numbers 1 to 28 listed on the city map, which numbers listed various points of interest in the city.

Kessler R. Cannon, Administrative Assistant re. Natural Resources out of the Governor's office, wrote a letter to Jim Thomson, which letter was read by Thomson to the members present. The letter refers to the lack of communication between the Scouts and our state, whereby the Scouts did not avail themselves of the assistance available on their trip, which help would have made their trip more memorable and enjoyable. This letter is incorporated herewith as a permanent part of the minutes.

Bill Foster reported on bills regarding the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery. Payment has been made to the Astoria Granite Works and the balance of the money has been placed in the vault of the County Clerk's office for safekeeping, until such time as

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TOM McCALL
GOVERNOR

August 27, 1968

RECEIVED
Fort Clatsop Nat'l. Mem.
AUG 29 '68
Supt.
Adm. Ofcr.
Hist.
Maint.

Mr. James M. Thomson, Superintendent
Fort Clatsop National Memorial
U. S. Department of Interior
National Park Service
Route 3, Box 604-FC
Astoria, Oregon 97103

Dear Mr. Thomson:

Thank you very much for relaying the story of the Sea Scout group traveling to Astoria. I regret that the whole affair turned out the way it did, and I cannot understand the why of no cooperation from the Scouts.

The Scouts nationally contacted the National Lewis and Clark Trail Commission, telling of such planned expeditions. Each state group was notified. Oregon responded offering assistance and cooperation, but it simply hasn't developed.

I appreciate the efforts of your group and your Service and your willingness to help. It is too bad that the Scouts did not avail themselves of the assistance available which certainly would have made their trip more memorable and enjoyable.

Cordially,

Kessler R. Cannon,
Administrative Assistant
Natural Resources

KRC:lj

further work has been completed at the cemetery and Foster will see that the bill is paid.

It was suggested by Ned Thorndike that the last name of the individual be used in the minutes, following the initial use of the name, rather than the first name because of future use to the committee. The Secretary will carry out this suggestion.

George Fulton left the drawing on the Astoria Fire Marker with Bill Foster, who in turn, presented it to the committee for discussion, criticism, and correction. Trygve Duoos, following some discussion on the matter, suggested block lettering which would be uniform throughout the entire sign. Dorothy Wootton stated that the drawing, as it stands, is a combination of manuscript lettering and block lettering and it should be all one style. At this point, chairman Ed Harvey, appointed Trygve Duoos to the marker committee. The Committee was in accord that the lettering should be consistent. At this time, the matter was turned back to Bill Foster and committee to continue work. (Following the meeting, pictures were taken of the Astoria Fire marker, the best of which was given to George Fulton, who, in turn, would send it on to the owners of the building,where the marker will be placed, letting them know what to expect. Extra copies or pictures were taken, and the best of these are incorporated herewith as a permanent part of the records.)

Chairman Ed Harvey reported following up on the iron for the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery gate. A piece was brought to Dr. Harvey, and after looking it over, he said it was too pitted and not good enough to use, so called Larry Snyder to have them returned. Also, reported learning that Dick and Denny Thompson went back to Minnesota, and had sent ahead, asking for designs for the cemetery gates and will be bringing back such a design.

Dorothy Wootton reported having been too busy and unable to follow through, as yet, on the Enola Hughes home.

Chairman Ed Harvey read a letter from one of our committee members, Brian Davis, stating that it had been impossible for him to make the meetings, thus far, but expected to be doing so in the near future. Also, some mention was made of the holly tree at Clifton, suggesting that the committee should investigate the matter.

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The matter of number of members, active, on the Committee, came under discussion, with Helen Griffith attempting to get an order drawn, naming the current active and associate members of the committee.

Chairman Ed Harvey showed the committee a sketch, brought to him by Larry Snyder, showing a possible fencing for the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery, but Dr. Harvey gave up on it since so much of the fencing was gone. This was the fencing which had come from the old reservoir on 16th and Irving Avenue.

Dorothy Wootton brought up the name of Eben Carruthers, who has done some excellent wrought iron work. Miss Wootton suggested that possibly he (Carruthers) might have some good ideas for fencing for the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery. Ed Harvey will see Mr. Carruthers.

Ed Harvey asked Irene Altstadt and Dorothy Wootton to help in writing a story of things that have been done by this committee in the last eight or ten months, starting with the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery, etc. Is interested in seeing that it gets to the Oregon Historical Society and Tom Vaughan.

The next meeting of our committee is October 21. Dr. Harvey would like to have a semblance or resume of what the story will be, to present to the committee. On November 16 through 20 the National Lewis & Clark Commission will be meeting in Portland; with joint hosts the Oregon and Washington Commission. The local Lewis & Clark Festival Commission is contemplating on going to the federal government and state government for around $500,000 to make a natural amphitheater for telling the Lewis & Clark story. Dr. Harvey would like the support of this committee and a statement by the next meeting to continue the National Lewis &Clark Commission so that we can work through them. There has been some trouble in keeping up the markings of the Lewis & Clark trail. The Oregon and Montana state associations have marked very well, but some of the states have not. The National Commission should be continued, to complete more work on this Lewis & Clark Trail.

A resolution is to be written and to be signed by the County Commission, recommending that the National Commission be continued for another five year period.

Dr. Harvey asked Jim Thomson to head this committee. George Fulton also on this committee. This will come as a resolution of this committee, through the County Commission, to the Federal Government. Dr. Harvey reported that there will be a group attending from here for the meeting on November 19th. At this time the New Oregon Singers will perform, using our music. Also a reading will be given, of the Lewis & Clark Story, for the National Commission. Dr. Harvey feels we have much to offer tourist wise, history wise, and dollar wise.

The Indian Lookout was again brought up, with Irene Altstadt reporting that old Indian Jim had lived on the property as long as he was alive. This property is between Sylvan Point and Humbug. Mrs. Altstadt could find nothing on this lookout. It was mentioned that Smugglers Cove is in Tillamook County, so we must give up on this matter of the lookout. It was thought that the indians were Tillamooks rather than Clatsops.

Ed Harvey again mentioned the November 19th date, saying it is hoped that the State of Oregon and our Association will be presented following a dinner, which will probably be held in the Benson hotel. Dr. Harvey stated that if we wished to attend he is sure it can be arranged.

Clarence Sigurdson reported on the background history of the Warren family, setting down in writing a rundown of the family tree of the Phinley C. Warren family on the East side of the Skipanon River and the Daniel K. Warren family on the West side of the Skipanon River. These written histories are made a permanent part of the records, for future use of the committee.

Also incorporated as a permanent part of the records and minutes is a copy of the brochure on the historic homes in Astoria, as prepared by Dr. Ed Harvey.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. As the meeting adjourned, Secretary Helen Griffith stated she would attempt to have the minutes in the hands of the committee members before leaving on her annual vacation, October 7. Mrs. Griffith will return in time for the meeting on October 21. Each member will need to record on his calendar the date, 7;00 P.M., and Court House, office of Board of County

East of Skipanon River

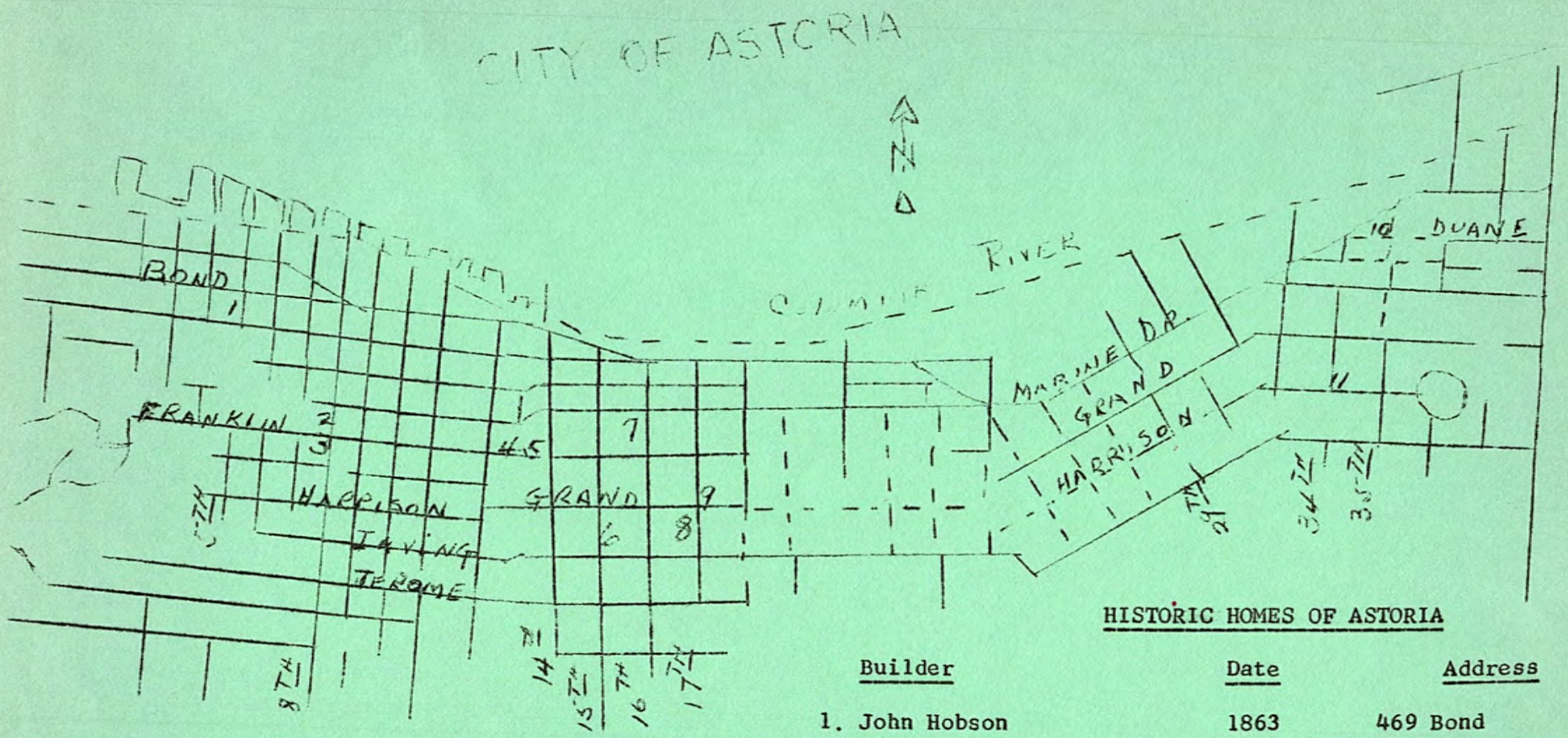
Phinley C. Warren

- Frank (was mayor of Warrenton)
  - 1st wife
    - Marion
      - Roy Shultz (Deceased)
    - Clifford
      - Sergi
  - 2nd wife
    - Merle
    - Fred
- Carie Deceased
  - H. C. Lester (Deceased) Ex State Senator
    - Warren Chauncey Lester (Deceased)

West of Shipanon River

Daniel K. Warren

- Lore Thompson (Henry) Deceased
- Maud, Haggins Chas. Higgins
  - Betty
- George Florence
  - Dan
    - George Married Doris Bodey
- Fred. still living in California



HISTORIC HOMES OF ASTORIA

Builder	Date	Address
1. John Hobson	1863	469 Bond
2. Conrad Boelling	1863	765 Exchange
3. Marshall Kinney	1869	788 Franklin
4. Hiram Brown	1854	1337 Franklin
5. Judge Page	1879	1393 Franklin
6. Consul Cherry	1880	836 - 15th St.
7. John A. Devlin	1880	1585 Exchange
8. Capt. J.H.D. Gray	1870	1687 Grand
9. Martin Foard	1883	690 - 17th St.
10. Benjamin Young	1883	3652 Duane
11. Gust Holmes	1889	682 - 34th St.

Commissioners since notices will not be mailed during October.

Dr. Harvey offered to see that each member was reminded of the proper meeting place and time.

Respectfully submitted,
Helen C. Griffith
(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 21, 1968

Dorothy Wootton called the meeting to order, having been named as Chairman Pro Tem in the absence of the Chairman Ed Harvey and Vice-Chairman George Fulton.

Members present: Bill Foster, Dorothy Wootton, Ned Thorndike, Eli McConkey, Carl Labiske, Jack Sutfin, Clarence Sigurdson, and Helen Griffith.

Also present was: Jim Thomson, representing the Clatsop County Historical Society.

Moved by Bill Foster and seconded by Eli McConkey that the minutes of the September meeting be approved as written. Motion carried.

Bill Foster reported on the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery. The walkway is finished into the cemetery. Dorothy and Bill asked that the data for the stone be okayed so they can send it to the Parks and Recreation Committee in City of Astoria for approval. Dr. Ed Harvey had left corrected copy with Bill Foster, asking that it be finished for presentation to said Committee. It was moved and seconded that the legend, as corrected in this meeting, be used. Motion carried. (Copy of legend, as corrected, is herewith included as a part of the minutes.)

No report received tonight on the Astoria Fire marker, since George Fulton is out of town until October 24th.

Jack Sutfin reported that the one marker for the Westport Tunnel is installed at this end of tunnel, near Westport, but is on the old road and not known to passers by.

Dorothy Wootton reported that she has not seen Enola Hughes, as yet.

Some discussion was held on the old holly tree at Clifton. It was felt that when this Pioneer Cemetery project is finished, more attempts should be made to obtain the necessary information for marking the tree.

Dorothy Wootton and Irene Altstadt have not been able to get together as yet on history of work done by this committee to date. Irene knows of some young man on the Daily Astorian who would be of great help in writing the article as it should be done.

Jim Thomson presented draft of resolution to be presented to the National

Legend for marker to be set by Thompson's Astoria Granite Works in Astoria Pioneer Cemetery. Approved by Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee at meeting held October 21, 1968. To be presented before the Astoria Parks and Recreation Committee for their consideration, before being turned over to the Astoria Granite Works for completion:

DEEDED BY JAMES WELCH TO ASTORIA ON APRIL 22, 1865.

BY 1891, 498 BURIALS WERE RECORDED. THERE WERE ALSO NUMEROUS UNLISTED INTERMENTS. BODIES FROM ABANDONED CEMETERIES WERE BROUGHT HERE. USE WAS DISCONTINUED AROUND 1900. MANY GRAVES AND MARKERS WERE REMOVED BY THE FAMILIES.

Copy of Draft presented to committee for approval by Jim Thomson, to be considered for presentation to national Lewis and Clark Trail Commission. hg.

Draft

Resolution in Favor of Continuing the

National Lewis and Clark Trail Commission

It has been brought to the attention of the undersigned Commissioners, who constitute the Official Board for Clatsop County, Oregon, that the possibility exists that the National Lewis and Clark Trail Commission, established by Public Law 88-360, will be disbanded, due to the termination of its Congressional authority.

The Commission has accomplished a great deal of work during the time it has been in existence. However, the seeds of cooperation so ably sown by the Commission between Federal, State and local governments have not been brought to full fruition. It does not appear at this time to be wise to suspend the activities of this body, particularly inview of the legislation recently passed authorizing the establishment of national trails, to include the Lewis and Clark Trail. Points in favor of the continuity of this body are as follows:

A. The American public has become more aware of the significance of the Lewis and Clark Expedition through the efforts of the Commission. However, despite the ever-increasing number of visitors, greater appreciation must be realized and this is being done by virtue of the coordination of the movement to recognize the historic landmarks of the expedition. To curb the leadership of this body at this time would not be prudent.

B. The Commission has stimulated each state along the Lewis and Clark Trail to take initiative in developing its own resources for promoting the establishment of the historic sites. They have eagerly responded, but the leadership of the national commission is needed to provide the impetus for fulfillment of this work.

C. Clatsop County, Oregon, is the site of one of the most significant spots associated with the Lewis and Clark Expedition, the winter encampment of 1805-06, at Fort Clatsop. It was through the combined efforts of the citizens of this vicinity that this site was given proper recognition. Visitation to Fort Clatsop National Memorial will be at or close to 90,000 for Calendar Year 1968 - an increase of almost 30% since the inception of records in 1960. Yet, this site is still only a part of the whole story, and it is for the mutual interest of the people of Clatsop County and other counties along

the Trail that the Commission continue to give guidance and leadership towards a united effort to accomplish the goals of this movement.

Therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of Clatsop County, Oregon, that we hereby petition the Congressional delegation from the State of Oregon to sponsor legislation which will provide for the continuation of the National Lewis and Clark Trail Commission for a minimum of ten more years to insure that the program set forth in the document, "A Proposal for Development," be fully accomplished.

Lewis & Clark Trail Commission, and asked for criticism on the draft. The Committee felt that the entire content of the draft of the resolution should be retained, and that the secretary, Helen Griffith, write it up in proper form.

Moved by Bill Foster and seconded by Eli McConkey that the content of the proposed resolution for retention of the National Lewis & Clark Trail Commission be accepted, as presented by Jim Thomson. Motion carried.

Dorothy Wootton spoke of homes in the West end of town. Had called Martha Kearney, but thus far Martha had not returned her call. She will again call Martha (Wilson) Kearney.

Clarence Sigurdson and Dorothy Wootton mentioned, also, old houses in Warrenton including the Muncy house and Mansfield house.

Clarence Sigurdson reported going out by the old girl scout camp, old Horner Trail Road, to the beach, at the south end of Coffinbury Lake to the Burma Road. About 150 yards North of there he cut a trail so three people could walk abreast. Cut the trail about two hundred yards. Suggested a sign on Burma road pointing to the Cairnsmore and a sign at the spot. At this point there is no visible sign of the ship. Mr. Sigurdson mentioned that sister, of Mrs. Quincy Robinson, who is near 90 years of age, said that they used to go out there and fish off of the ship. Clarence Sigurdson, in looking for the ship, used a metal detector, which seems to prove the spot, for in walking the area he could detect metal to outline a ship. When Mr. Sigurdson was a boy the hull must have been about eight or ten feet under the sand for they used to swing on the yard arm. Even at that time the ship itself could not be seen. Mr. Sigurdson would like to see some digging done to find the yard arm and some drilling done to find the hull, and feels that what should be done, for sure, at this time, is to mark the spot and drill to find the hull. Feels we would strike water before we got to it. Upon discussion of the matter, Mr. Sigurdson said he felt that the mast would only be down about a couple of feet. He had taken Jay Coffey with him when he went down to check the spot. Dorothy Wootton asked if there was any further discussion on the subject. Bill Foster and Jim Thomson stated it was food for

thought and some ground work can be done by visiting with Don Leach or the County Commissioners.

Jim Thomson mentioned that the JC's have a historic tour under discussion, at the present time, around this area. Bob Westerberg mentioned this subject to Mr. Thomson, saying that they were still discussing the matter and when they have formulated further plans, will come before this committee, bringing their ideas for comment.

Dorothy Wootton mentioned the Harold Taggs are doing something on the old Morrison house. A new roof has gone on and possibly the old home is going to be built up and if so, it could be marked.

The old Callender home, which Art and Emily Fertig own is about 120 years old and should be marked.

There being no further business, it was moved by Bill Foster and seconded by Carl Labiske that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

CLATSOP COUNTY, OREGON

313/25

IN THE MATTER OF CONTINUING THE NATIONAL LEWIS AND CLARK TRAIL COMMISSION

R E S O L U T I O N

This matter coming on to be heard before the Board of County Commissioners of the State of Oregon for Clatsop County, sitting for the transaction of County business on the 15th day of November, 1968, said day being the 7th day of the regular November Term of said Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, it appearing to the Board, that the possibility exists that the National Lewis and Clark Trail Commission, established by Public Law 88-360, will be disbanded, due to the termination of its Congressional authority; and

WHEREAS, it appearing to the Board that it is advisable and a public necessity, and that it will be for the public benefit and of public interest that this National Lewis and Clark Trail Commission remain in existence; and

WHEREAS, The National Lewis and Clark Trail Commission has accomplished much work during this time, yet, the seeds of cooperation so ably sown by the Commission between Federal, State, and local governments have not been brought to full fruition; and

WHEREAS, It does not appear to be wise, at this time, to suspend the activities of this body, particularly in view of the legislation recently passed authorizing the establishment of national trails, to include the Lewis and Clark Trail; and

WHEREAS, Points in favor of the continuity of this body are as follows:

A. The American public has become more aware of the significance of the Lewis and Clark Expedition through the efforts of the Commission. However, despite the ever increasing number of visitors, greater appreciation must be realized and is being done by virtue of the coordination of the movement to recognize the historic landmarks of the expedition.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Clatsop County, Oregon, at the recommendation of its Historical Advisory Committee, that the Congressional delegation from the State of Oregon be petitioned to sponsor legislation which will provide for the continuation of the National Lewis and Clark Trail Commission for a minimum of ten more years to insure that the program set forth in the document, "A Proposal for Development", be fully accomplished.

Dated this 15th day of November, 1968.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CLATSOP COUNTY, OREGON

By, HIRAM C. JOHNSON
Commissioner

By, VERNE STRATTON
Commissioner

By, LYLE G. ORDWAY
Commissioner

RECEIVED and ENTERED NOV 15, 1968 being the 7 day of said term of said Court.

CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

November 18, 1968

Meeting called to order by the Vice Chairman, George Fulton, in the absence of the Chairman Ed Harvey.

Members present: Trygve Duoos, Clarence Sigurdson, Dorothy Wootton, Irene Altstadt, Ned Thorndike, George Fulton, Bill Foster, Eli McConkey, Russell Bristow, and Helen Griffith.

Minutes of October meeting read and discussed. It was suggested by Ned Thorndike that the words "sailing vessel" be used with the Cairnsmore and mentioned that grammatically the first paragraph on Page 3 should read "the JC's have 'an' historic tour under discussion".

It was moved by Bill Foster and seconded by Russell Bristow that the minutes of the October 21, 1968 meeting be accepted as corrected. Motion carried.

Bill Foster reported on the matter of the Pioneer Cemetery marker. He visited with the Parks Committee of the City of Astoria, which body rearranged the legend, proving satisfactory to both the City and the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee. A copy of the old city seal was presented to the Committee through Dr. Harvey, to Bill Foster, who presented it. It was suggested that perhaps this might be a fitting heading on the stone marker. Ned Thorndike reported, however, that the legend is ready to be cut into the stone and there is no room for the seal. George Fulton suggested that Bill Foster ask how much it would cost to cast the seal in bronze and perhaps imbed it in the entranceway.

It was moved by Russell Bristow and seconded by Irene Altstadt that the City of Astoria be informed of the favorable reaction of the Historical Advisory Committee to the suggestion for the use of the 1865 city seal, that it be used perhaps in the archway entrance to the cemetery, and the City of Astoria be encouraged to undertake the completion of this project. Motion carried.

George Fulton reported on the present situation with reference to the Astoria Fire marker. Mr. Fulton stated that Lawrence Rogers came in to see him and said that the Astoria fire started in the basement of a restaurant. When George Fulton discuss-

Legend for marker to be set by Thompson's Astoria Granite Works in Astoria Pioneer Cemetery. Approved by Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee at meeting held October 21, 1968. Presented before Astoria Parks and Recreation Committee by Bill Foster, at their November meeting, for consideration. A slight change was made - adding the heading "ASTORIA PIONEER CEMETERY", adding the word "later" to the sentence on removal of graves and markers, and moving the sentence on discontinuance to the end of legend. Legend now to go before the City Council meeting for final approval, before delivery to Astoria Granite Works for completion:

ASTORIA PIONEER CEMETERY

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SEAL OF THE CITY OF ASTORIA. CLATSOP COUNTY OREGON
EA SPECTAT OCCASUM SOLIS
1865

SEAL OF THE CITY OF ASTORIA. CLATSOP COUNTY, OREGON
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1865

ed the matter with Arni Rautio, the Fire Chief, he was informed by Mr. Rautio that the fire did not start in the BeeHive Department store. Mr. Fulton will check the records of the Fire Department and will bring the information back to the Committee. There is no point in convincing the owner of the building that this marker should be placed until we have some definite information and the Committee can agree as to the proper spot for placement.

Dorothy Wootton talked with Enola Hughes and was told that Mrs. Hughes did not want people coming to her house. Miss Wootton will talk with Mrs. Hughes again, letting her know that it is not necessary to allow people entrance to the home simply because it is marked; however, she felt Mrs. Hughes wasn't too enthusiastic about the matter.

Irene Altstadt asked about the old Fisher house in Seaside. Noticed they were putting a new roof on it. Perhaps there is a possibility there for a marker.

In discussing the holly tree at Clifton, Russell Bristow said the tree was supposed to have come around the Horn. He also stated that part of the tree was burned, but it is coming back again. A discussion followed with reference to this tree and the thought was presented that perhaps slips could be taken from the holly tree, in order to preserve it, and possibly some of these slips could be put in the Astoria Pioneer Cemtery, which would, in turn, enhance the look of the park area. Irene Altstadt suggested that if this was to be done the Garden Club be asked to do this work for us. She feels they would enjoy a project of this nature.

The matter of the first cannery in Oregon was brought up again, and it was stated that there is a placque at Bumble Bee which gives this information.

Ned Thorndike volunteered to contact Andrew Marincovich concerning the holly tree at Clifton and try to obtain some information which would be useful to our committee.

At this point, Dorothy Wootton and Irene Altstadt have had no opportunity to get together on the history of the committee.

Dorothy Wootton has had no further contact on homes in the West end of Astoria. Miss Wootton mentioned that on a trip to Eugene she had mentioned some of the homes on Exchange Street, but was informed they are too young to be considered for marking.

Nothing new to report on the Cairnsmore, according to Clarence Sigurdson. Mr. Sigurdson says he has not been out there since the last meeting. He also stated that Mrs. Tom Young, from the Portland area, spent much time on research of Clatsop County. Mrs. Young passed away about two years ago; however, previous to her death she was going to compile information in manuscript form and donate it to the Astoria Library. Mr. Sigurdson thought we should contact Tom Young and see if he won't let us have these papers, no matter what condition they might be in. Mr. Young lives in Lake Oswego and George Fulton volunteered to contact him on this matter.

Dorothy Wootton reported on the Harold Tagg house. She had talked with Arthur and Emily Fertig and Emily Fertig's sister, Florence, and felt they might have it marked. The Fertigs were a little reluctant about a marker being put on the house, because of the people who would tramp through it. Again, they were told that it is not necessary to allow people in the home at all.

Clarence Sigurdson brought up the matter of two school houses; one is a small school and the other a large one. He wondered if these buildings might be marked, but they have had additions to them and could not be marked, without being restored to their original form.

Trygve Duoos reported he is reading Dr. B. A. Owens Adair's book right now, and finds it very interesting. Mr. Duoos stated that the doctor mentioned the grist mill her father built and Mr. Duoos thought perhaps a placque could be placed in the spot where this first grist mill was built in Clatsop County, marking it for future generations.

Eli McConkey reported that he has been unable to contact Dan Young, as yet, about the cemetery. Mr. McConkey has not been too well; however, he will go

to see Mr. Young as soon as he can. The cemetery is located between Astoria and Olney. Dan Young is going to take Eli McConkey to the cemetery.

Clarence Sigurdson said he had nothing further to report, but will check into the Seaside area for historically interesting sites, which might be marked at a later date. He mentioned that just South of Seaside there is an area where people come to dig for artifacts.

When asked by the acting chairman, George Fulton, Dorothy Wootton and Irene Altstadt, as well as Russell Bristow and Bill Foster, stated they had nothing new to report at this time.

Ned Thorndike reported that he had listened to Tom Vaughan Friday at the Chamber of Commerce meeting. His subject was, 'Tourism: What It Will Mean To the Whole Northwest'.

It was suggested that Ed Beard and Lawrence Rogers be asked to suggest something in the Hammond and Warrenton areas as possible matters of historical interest. It was also suggested that Bill Hunt of Knappa area, Al Anderson of Astoria, Mrs. Hilda Lahti in Knappa area, Ed Condit at Westport, and Duncan Shields in Tolovana Park area be contacted as possible resource people, and asked for information on historical items of interest in their various areas, and possibly suggest they come in to our meetings to share their knowledge.

A general discussion was held concerning the Japanese shelling of the coast and the marker to be prepared. George Fulton and Bill Foster stated they are working on this project. Trygve Duoos will try to locate the newspaper clipping giving the name of the submarine that fired on the coastline.

It was suggested by Clarence Sigurdson that we go into the location and history on the sailing ship Galena, which went aground out West of Clatsop Station.

The membership learned of Rolf Klep's illness and suggested that a car be sent to him from the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned, upon motion of Bill Foster and second of Irene Altstadt.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

NOTE: Included as a part of these records is a newspaper article from the November 20, 1968 issue of The Oregonian on the meeting, in Portland, of the Lewis and Clark Trail Commission meeting with the Lewis & Clark Festival Association of Clatsop County.

CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
441 Eighth Street
Astoria, Oregon

R E S O L U T I O N

It has been brought to the attention of the membership of the Clatsop County Historical Society that the possibility exists that the National Lewis and Clark Trail Commission, established by Public Law 88-360, will be disbanded due to the termination of its Congressional authority. It does not appear at this time to be wise to suspend the activities of this body, since the cooperation established by it between Federal, State and local governments has not been brought to full fruition. Much planning remains to be accomplished, particularly in view of the legislation recently passed by the 90th Congress authorizing the establishment of national trails, to include the Lewis and Clark Trail.

The following listed points favor the continuity of this body, as follows:

A. The American public has become more aware of the significance of the Lewis and Clark Expedition through the efforts of the Commission. However, despite the ever-increasing number of visitors, greater appreciation must be realized and this is being done by virtue of the coordination of the movement to recognize the historic landmarks of the expedition. To curb the leadership of this body at this time would not be prudent.

B. The Commission has stimulated each state along the Lewis and Clark Trail to take initiative in developing its own resources for promoting the establishment of the historic sites. They have eagerly responded, but the leadership of the national commission is needed to provide the impetus for fulfillment of this work.

C. Clatsop County, Oregon, is the site of one of the most important spots associated with the Lewis and Clark Expedition, the winter encampment of 1805-06, at Fort Clatsop. It was through the combined efforts of the citizens of this vicinity that this site was given proper recognition, with this Society being foremost in providing leadership for this project. Yet, this national memorial is only a part of the whole story, and it is for the mutual interest of the people of Clatsop County and other counties along the trail that the Commission continue to give guidance and leadership towards a united effort to accomplish the goals of this movement.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the membership of the Clatsop County Historical Society, that we hereby petition the Congressional delegation from the State of Oregon to sponsor legislation which will provide for the continuation of the National Lewis and Clark Trail Commission for a minimum of ten more years to insure that the program set forth in the document, "A Proposal for Development," will be completely accomplished.

Dated this 18th day of November, 1968.

By: James Thomson
James Thomson, President

THE OREGONIAN, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1968

Views Sought On Way To Improve, Continue Lewis, Clark Trail Program

Citizen views on how to improve and carry on the program of Lewis and Clark Trail Commission will be sought at a public hearing Wednesday, Nov. 20, at 8:30 a.m. in Room 36 of the State Office Building, 1400 SW 5th Ave.

The commission has been meeting in Portland this week for business sessions.

Sherry R. Fisher, of Des Moines, Iowa, chairman of the commission, said he has invited associations, groups and individuals to attend the hearing, the second to be held on the commission's work. The first was held in Bismarck, N. D. A third public hearing will be in St. Louis, Mo., in April or May of next year.

Fisher said persons who cannot attend the hearing may express their opinions to the commission by writing to him, in care of Edward C. Crafts, executive officer, Lewis and Clark Trail Commission, Department of the Interior, Washington, D. C., 20240. Letters should be received no later than Dec. 9, 1968.

Involvement Sought

The commission was created by Congress in 1964 to promote public awareness of the historic significance of the Lewis and Clark expedition, promote development of outdoor recreation resources along the route and encourage conservation of natural resources in those areas.

At Tuesday business sessions, Stephen S. Jackson, commission member, reported the commission will continue to work on a program that will involve underprivileged youths. The idea is to take some of the youngsters who fall into projects of the President's Commission on Children and Youth and fit them into Lewis and Clark Commis-

A MODEL THEATER which revolves is explained to Sherry R. Fisher (left), chairman of the Lewis and Clark Trail Commission, by James Cameron, director of the Lewis & Clark Festival Association of Clatsop County. Built by Bill Steidel, Cannon Beach artist, theater shows how an epic drama of the festival association could tell the story of the expedition. Cameron will explain proposal Wednesday morning at hearing in State Office Building.

He told newsmen during a break in the business sessions he thought such pageants should be planned at the beginning of the Lewis and Clark Trail in St. Louis, Mo., and at the end, at Astoria, Ore.

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CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

December 16, 1968

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Ed Harvey.

Members present: Dr. Ed Harvey, Bill Foster, Eli McConkey, Jack Sutfin, Ned Thorndike, Carl Labiske, and Helen Griffith.

Others present: County Commissioner Hiram C. Johnson.

Since the November minutes were not ready for the meeting, their contents were presented, but action upon said minutes will be given at the January, 1969 meeting.

Dr. Harvey discussed the matter of finishing the entrance area to the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery. Discussed the matter of creosoted logs, which are $3.00 per foot. This was the best Dr. Harvey could come up with for this finishing work. It was suggested that Bill Foster approach the City with this information, with the idea that the City will go ahead and finish, doing the finishing work to their suggestions and liking. McCormack and Baxter Creosoting Company was the firm suggested by Dr. Harvey as a firm that might be contacted. Bill Foster and Hiram Johnson to work together toward seeing that the City completes this cemetery project. Ed Harvey suggested that the poles be painted white, which would show up much better. The other members of the committee agreed, if the City, who will be finishing the project, feels it wise. It also was suggested that two to three feet be the depth in ground for the poles, ~~which~~ with seven or eight feet above ground, and archway across the top. Eli McConkey suggested we be sure to suggest to the City they take into consideration the Southwest storms when putting the poles into the ground.

In placing of the sign over the entrance, Dr. Harvey felt, with the committee's agreement, that the posts be installed back in from the street far enough so it will be convenient for parking area for people driving up to see the cemetery. The uprights should be back in, approximately eight to ten feet. It was suggested that Ned Thorndike might also bring this matter before the City Parks and Recreation Committee.

Secretary instructed to write a short but appropriate letter to Denny and Dick

Thompson of the Astoria Granite Works for their contribution of the center stone at the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery and for the good work done in preparing the cemetery for the public.

(Dorothy Wootton's dad was fishing right off the Columbia at Astoria the night of the Japanese shelling of the coast, according to Carl Labiske, and he estimated there were no more than twelve shells fired.) Per letter received from Dorothy Wootton - corrected item re. shelling of coast by Japanese. Her father, Mr. Wootton, never fished and the family had discussed the shelling - Did not know number of shells fired. hcg.

Ed Harvey was contacted and talked with several on the appearance of our group at the Lewis & Clark Festival Committee meeting with the National Lewis & Clark Trail Commission in Portland. As far as is known, this presentation was quite complete and the best. Dr. Harvey took this opportunity to thank all those on the Committee who had worked toward presenting the Resolution and program in Portland to Jim Thomson, especially, for making these people, from the East, fell at home and enjoy their visit into history.

Ed Harvey has asked Irene Altstadt for an article to go in the special edition of the paper coming up.

Jack Sutfin, when asked about the Westport Tunnel project, said no further report had come from Hiram Johnson.

Hiram Johnson reported that he went through the tunnel. On the South end there is a problem. He received word that the man who lives there was moving and when he does they can get in and clean it out. Dr. Harvey asked Jack Sutfin if he would now follow up on this matter and see that it is completed.

Dr. Harvey stated that he would hold off on the Japanese shelling report and the Astoria Fire marker until the January, 1969 meeting.

Chairman Harvey asked for new ideas. Suggested that when new county map comes out the historic homes should be mentioned.

The matter of the holly tree at Clifton was mentioned again, and the suggestion that was made at the November meeting. The Clifton holly tree and the redwood tree are to brought up at the January meeting.

Eli McConkey reported talking with Dan Young, who said he would take Eli McConkey and Ned Thorndike out to this little cemetery in the Olney area on the old Fitcha place, which is now the Lillenas place. Dorothy Lillenas Peeke saw to a couple of markers, which have been placed in the cemetery. The Fitchas were Dorothy's grandfolks. Carl Labiske mentioned the fact that he would like to visit the old place again.

Mention was made, again, that Mr. Plympton is buried on the West side of Plympton Creek near Westport. Jack Sutfin will look into the matter further.

Helen Griffith to call Clarence Sigurdson during the month and remind him of Tom Young. Ask him to follow up on the history and report to us in January.

Also, ask George Fulton if he has had an opportunity to contact Natalie DeSassise regrading Jack's records.

Hiram Johnson mentioned the county seat at Lexington and asked if anyone had worked on this item.

Mention was made, by Hiram Johnson, of an article in the Oregon Voter, which noted that D. K. Warren was connected with the Astoria and South Coast Railroad, now a part of SP&S Railway, which began on May 11, 1889 with the driving of a spike at Skipanon. It was suggested that perhaps, upon further investigation, a marker could be set up at the spot this took place. (A copy of the article, which was in the December 7, 1968 issue of the Oregon Voter, is included herewith as a part of the minutes and records of the Committee.)

Ed Harvey appointed a nimonating committee for 1969, including Eli McConkey as Chairman, and Dorothy Wootton, Bill Foster, and Carl Labiske as other members of the committee. Should have all names, past and present, of those who have served on committee and others interested, for we would like to get official representation from the entire county.

It was suggested by Chairman Ed Harvey that we aim toward the months of February or March to get some of our senior citizens, interested in history, to appear before the committee for the purpose of sharing some of the historical data of interest to Clatsop County.

History of Great Northern Railway In Oregon Where Portland is a Major Shipping Point on Entire System

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organized the Deschutes Railroad for the same purpose and began building along the west bank. Opposing crews worked furiously. The competition resulted in friction and harassment. Some sources say as many as 9,000 men were employed at times and there were some free-for-all brawls.

After spending about $25 million, the two lines were stymied for lack of sufficient right of way. Hill and Harriman finally agreed to a 99-year joint use of tracks. They combined forces and the first train rolled into Bend in November, 1911.

Hill died in 1916 without seeing Great Northern reach California. GN built the 68-mile connection from Bend to Chemult in 1927-28 and, after more legal battles, got trackage rights over the Southern Pacific from Chemult to Klamath Falls.

In 1930-31 Great Northern built south out of Klamath Falls for a California connection with the Western Pacific at Bieber.

Article From "Oregon Voter" for 12-7-1968.

THE SP&S RAILWAY STORY

From a Small Beginning at Warrenton 80 Years Ago, Historic, and at Times "Mystery" Railroad Now on Way to Becoming Part of 25,000 Mile System

The first spike driven on any part of the railroad system, now actually owned by the Spokane, Portland and Seattle Railway, was driven at Skipanon, now part of Warrenton, Oregon, on May 11, 1889 to mark the beginning of construction of the Astoria & South Coast Railroad. D. K. Warren, founder of the city of Warrenton, was the central figure in the first railroad in Clatsop County, incorporated on August 14, 1888, with Warren as its first President.

N. S. Westergard
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In all, 15.54 miles of railroad were built by the A&SC extending from Seaside to Youngs Bay. A trestle one and three-eighths miles long carried the track to deep water near Astoria to permit transfer of passengers and freight to the river boats of the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company which operated between Astoria and Portland, connecting at Kalama with the Northern Pacific trains for Tacoma and Seattle. In July, 1890, the A&SC rails were completed.

The oldest portion of railroad operated by the SP&S Railway is the 40-mile stretch between Goble and Portland, still owned by the Northern Pacific.

Regular use of the Portland to Goble track was delayed until October 15, 1884 when the first train between Portland and Tacoma traveled this oldest portion of the SP&S line, and at Hunter's Landing (now called Charlton) near Goble, rolled on to the recently constructed 322 foot transfer steamer "Tacoma" for the trip across the Columbia River to Kalama, where it again rolled on land, and proceeded to Tacoma.

In 1894, A. B. Hammond bought the Seashore R.R. (successor to the A&SC) and in 1895 started contsruction of the Astoria and Columbia River R.R. between Astoria and Goble. The final spike was driven at Clatskanie April 3, 1898, and the first through train between Astoria and Portland was run May 16, 1898, using the N.P. tracks from Goble to Portland.

After completion of the Great Northern Railway to Seattle in 1893, James J. Hill sought means of access to Oregon, and in 1898 tried to secure operating rights over the Oregon Railway & Navigation Co., then in the hands of receiver. Hill wrote to Harriman proposing the arrangement, but Harriman was unwilling to share use of the OWR&N with his rival, and instead organized the Columbia Valley R.R. and the Wallula Pacific to block any Hill plans to build on the North Bank of the Columbia River.

U. P. Territory Invaded

Early in the next century, however, when Hill and his friends controlled not only the Great Northern but the Northern Pacific also, he started his expansion into the Union Pacific territory of Oregon. During 1903-4 right-of-way on the North Bank of the Columbia was quietly being bought up. On August 22, 1905 the Portland and Seattle Ry. (later changed to the Spokane, Portland and Seattle Ry.) was incorporated at Olympia. Announcements appeared in the newspapers September 9 and 10, and construction started a little later.

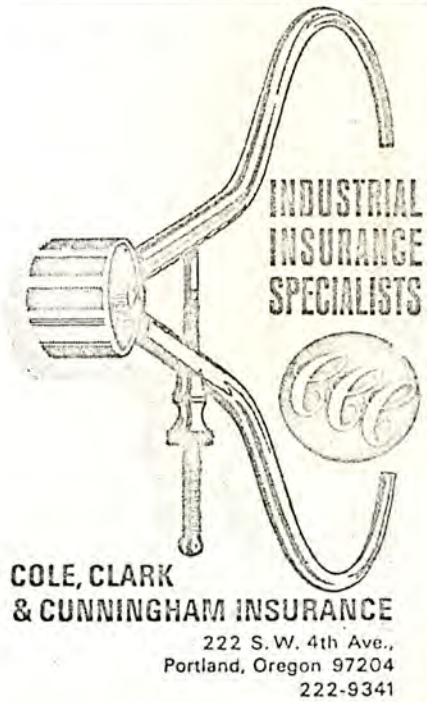
December 19, 1907 the Astoria and Columbia River R.R. was acquired by Hill for the Great Northern and Northern Pacific for $5,000,000, about twice the cost of construction. Headquarters were moved from Astoria to Portland, but operation continued in the name of the A&CR. In 1911 the line was turned over to the SP&S Ry. and became the Astoria Division, now known as the SP&S 6th Subdivision. Right-of-way was bought up quietly during the early 1900s, and construction of the SP&S Ry. started at Kennewick, Wash. in the fall of 1905. The Northern Pacific and Great Northern joined forces on a 50-50 basis. In this period the late "mystery man," Robert E. Strahorn, was the active figure in getting the lines now known as the SP&S, tied together. He operated from Spokane, and in his good time revealed the large purpose behind his quiet acquisition of right-of-way and existing rail lines. (The current Associate Editor of *Oregon Voter* was a member of a group that made a rugged and historical trip with him even before he revealed the challenging Hill plans.)

Harriman put grading crews on the line in a dozen places, and while very little work was actually done, there was effective interference with SP&S construction. Step by step progress was also fought in the courts, resulting in considerable delay. Operation of the line between Vancouver and Kennewick commenced in March, 1908. The bridges across the Columbia and the Willamette Rivers between Vancouver and Portland were in use by December, 1908.

More Lines Acquired

In that year the SP&S also acquired the Columbia River and Northern Railway, a 42-mile line which the farmers in the Goldendale area of Washington had constructed in 1903, in order to have access and commerce via a connection with river transportation on the Columbia at Lyle, Wash.

Another SP&S-owned branch line takes off from the Portland-Goble line



THE SP&S RAILWAY STORY

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near Linnton and extends westward to Vernonia. The history of this line is indicative of early century rail contruction in the area and the Hill interests' methods of acquisition to form a combined operation. Although only 30 miles long, this Vernonia line was made up from two earlier railroad companies: The United Railway Company purchased in 1911, and Portland, Astoria and Pacific Railway acquired in 1921.

Perhaps the most dramatic and spectacular portion of the SP&S Ry. is its wholly-owned subsidiary, the Oregon Trunk Ry. Incorporated in the State of Washington in 1909, its construction from the outset was a joint effort of Great Northern and Northern Pacific under the control of Hill to compete with Harriman interests in developing the West through railroad expansion. Taking off from the SP&S mainline at Wishram, Wash., it crosses the Columbia River at the site of the former Celilo Falls, now submerged by The Dalles Dam pool, and follows up the Deschutes River to Bend, 150 miles.

Open War at Times

Construction was started in 1909 and carried out in a neck-and-neck race, frequently breaking into open warfare with the Deschutes R.R. Co. (Union Pacific) construction forces building a paralleling line on the opposite bank of the river. By the time Metolius was reached, the parties in realization of the economic waste of such duplicated efforts, reached agreement on a joint operation over a single line which the Oregon Trunk constructed on into Bend.

Since then, the Great Northern has built south from Bend to Bieber, California, where a connection with the Western Pacific has, in part at least, fulfilled Jim Hill's dream of a railroad to California.

The Oregon Electric Railway was started with the incorporation November 10, 1905 of the Willamette Valley Traction Co. Construction started at Salem, December 11, but not very much was done until after the line was taken over by the Oregon Electric Railway. The O.E. was incorporated May 14, 1906, and in September obtained the franchises and other property of the Willamette Valley Traction Company.

The line between Portland and Salem was completed in December, 1907, and regular passenger service commenced January 1, 1908, and became part of the Hill System in 1910. In 1912, the Oregon Electric was extended to Albany and Eugene, and in 1914 the Forest Grove Division was completed to provide service to Beaverton, Hillsboro and Forest Grove.

52 Trains a Day

As a passenger carrier, the line became immediately popular, and as many as 52 trains a day were required in 1914 to handle the commuting suburbanites between their country homes and Portland, as well as travelers making longer trips from and to Salem, Albany and Eugene.

As highways were built paralleling the electric line, passenger traffic gradually declined to the vanishing point and discontinuance in May, 1933.

Construction of the Albany and Sweet Home Branch of the Oregon Electric was completed in 1932, and the volume of freight traffic increased rapidly with the output of sawmills, plywood plants and other industrial developments. Today, long freight trains from the Willamette Valley are hauled by modern diesel-electric locomotives to Portland and thence over the SP&S, G.N., N.P. and Burlington Lines—a 25,000 mile system of affiliated railroads extending to the Pacific Ocean at the mouth of the Columbia River to Puget Sound, and eastward to Lake Superior, Lake Michigan, the Mississippi River and to the Gulf of Mexico. A merger of the four roads has been approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission, but that decision is presently being reviewed by a three-judge panel appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

Pacific Fruit Express Orders 1200 'Cool' Cars

Pacific Fruit Express, refrigerator car transportation service, jointly owned by Union Pacific and Southern Pacific, has announced placement of an order for 1,200 new multi-purpose mechanical refrigerator cars to add to its fleet of 6,900 of the large cars acquired during the past six years. The new units will, according to L. D. Schley, the vice president and general manager of PFE, increase the firm's total mechanical "reefer" operation to almost 10,700 cars.

Schley said that with a 70-ton payload and over 4,000 cubic feet of load space, the new 50-footers will provide shippers of fresh and frozen perishables with the lowest cost per package, for heavy loadings, in transportation today.

The first cars are scheduled for delivery by Pacific Car and Foundry, Renton, Wash., by February 1969, and the entire order by the end of May.

In addition to self-contained diesel refrigeration units and foamed-in-place insulation, Schley said the new cars will have 10½-foot wide doors to facilitate loading by lift truck and other mechanical systems.

Loads will be locked in place by a wall-to-wall, floor-to-ceiling movable gate arrangement to reduce lading damage. Additional protection is provided by impact-absorbing cushion underframes.

The high-capacity diesel-electric refrigeration systems will maintain a constant temperature at any predetermined setting from below zero to plus 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

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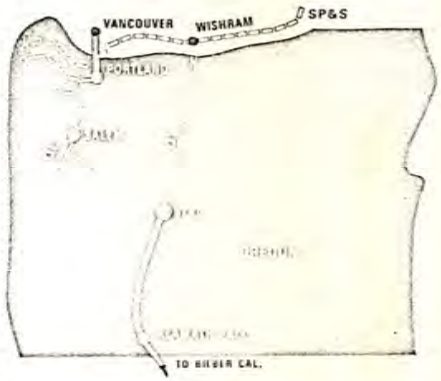

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GREAT NORTHERN

Ed Harvey suggested that someone from the Committee attend the "Know Your Community" program on KAST and advertise the committee, letting the community know we are alive and working.

A general discussion was held concerning the fact that as far as history in the area is concerned, we are way behind. We do not realize our potential. Carl Labiske mentioned an article in the Sunday Oregonian which stated that Mount Hood had been sold to California. Mr. Labiske suggested we read this. It would appear that others feel we are rather far behind here in Oregon in bringing our assets to the front. We do not follow through on possibilities, history wise, as other states do. We have a very large potential, but do nothing about it.

There being no further business, it was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

NOTE: Included as a part of these records is a copy of the Resolution presented to the National Lewis and Clark Trail Commission by the Clatsop County Historical Society, Jim Thomson, President, and an article and picture from the January 16, 1969 issue of the Daily Astorian with reference to the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery.

The Daily Astorian, Astoria, Oregon, Thursday, January 16, 1969

Granite Memorial Marker Given for Pioneer Cemetery

Dennis and Richard Thompson have donated a granite memorial marker which has been erected in the center of the pioneer cemetery on top of the hill at 15th and Niagara.

City and county workers have provided a blacktop path leading to the marker from the street at the west side of the cemetery.

The memorial marker was turned over to the county historical advisory committee recently and in turn presented to the city government at a recent meeting of the city council.

Richard Thompson said the marker was made of red Finnish granite of the same kind used by the Thompson brothers' late father, Paul Thompson, when he established Astoria Granite Works in 1917.

"He used to import huge blocks of this granite from Finland by sea. Ships would bring it via the Panama canal, and on arrival here he would cut it up," Thompson said. "This practice proved uneconomical."

Later the Thompsons obtained granite from Minnesota.

The cemetery marker is of the style used at about the time the cemetery last was used for burials nearly 70 years ago, Thompson said. The base is of rock brought from Vancouver island.

Legend on the marker was prepared by Miss Dorothy Wootton and William Foster of the county historical advisory committee.

The pioneer cemetery, after last being used about 1900, lay neglected for more than a half century, thickly overgrown with brush.

Some years ago it was cleared of brush in a project initiated by Robert Chopping of radio KAST, and since then has been maintained in good condition by the city government.

Granite marker standing in the center of Pioneer cemetery, 15th and Niagara, was donated by Astoria Granite Works recently. Dick Thompson, right, of the firm hands documents of ownership to Chairman Dr. Edward Harvey of county historical advisory committee.

Recently some of the original grave markers which had been removed for safekeeping when vandals seemed likely to take all of them, were restored in the original positions by Thompson.

"We know there are some other markers around town and would like very much to get them back," said Dr. Edward Harvey of the county historical adivsory committee. "We would also like some old photographs showing the cemetery as it was when in use."

Warrenton's Founder Put Down I

WARREN MANSION built in 1884 by D. K. Warren, founder of historic community of Warrenton. When constructed, tall and stately mansion had stairs leading down to Skipanon River wharf.

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This article written by Ted Stokes of Astoria, Oregon. This copy given by Ted to the Advisory Committee for the records.

By TED STOKES
Journal Special Writer

SCENE: Warrenton, Ore., 1959.

"That high ceiling above you there is all gold!" exclaimed the grandson of D.K. Warren, founder of the city of Warrenton. "I don't know how thick, but it's gold."

I looked up and saw the last rays of the setting sun wash and brighten the ceiling of the vacant, classic Warren mansion, built in 1884.

Dan Warren added: "And the once-active cattle barn (gone now) just north a few yards was the largest such structure in Oregon until about 1915. It could accommodate 185 head of cattle in the stalls."

Daniel Knight Warren came to Oregon in 1852 when he was 16 years old. He lived about 50 years in the territory and state as a leading citizen. He was a logging operator, land owner, banker, mill operator, merchant, railroad president, state senator, and country gentleman.

WARREN WAS born at Bath, N.Y., on March 12, 1836, but later moved with the family to Illinois. In the summer of 1852 the four Warren boys departed for Oregon. They joined a large party heading West.

One dark night on the plains of the Missouri River, some Indians sneaked by one of the guards. The Indians wanted the horses. There was an outcry when they were discovered; and after an encounter, the Indians were driven off without the horses. The Indians, however, were armed with bows and arrows. Departing, one of them let go an arrow which shot through young Warren's coat under the left arm.

The travelers followed, generally, what today is the path of the Union Pacific. The four boys with the others arrived in Portland on Sept. 9, 1852. Young Warren said of Portland: ". . . A small ambitious town in the woods."

WARREN TOOK a look around and decided to go south and dig gold on the Rogue River. He spent the fall, winter and spring mining on the Rogue. In the summer he headed back to Portland and then to a tow he'd heard of — Astoria This was a good move, h said later, because in th fall of 1853 there was a bi Indian massacre on th Rogue and a lot of miner were killed.

In Astoria he loked at hi money, four dollars. He go a job in a logging outfit. I 1855 he set up his own log ging company and sold log to the Astoria mills. Thi was in the Knappa-Svense area of today. He ran th logging outfit until 1860.

During 1861 - 62, Warre was in Illinois. He marrie and in 1863 he was back i Astoria. He continued log ging and in 1870 bought 16 acres of land in what is to day Warrenton, on th Skipanon River and a few miles west of Astoria.

The people in Clatsop Columbia and Tillamoo counties voted him into th Oregon State Legislature i 1876 as a senator. He serve one term.

WARREN WANTED bot sides of the Skipanon Rive diked to aid shipping. Fro California he importe Chinese coolies to work wi pick and shovel along th 2½ mile waterway. Th was 1878. The orientals di a good job. There is a sto of a visitor at this time wh viewed the work and aske one Chinese a questio "Why do you make each r turn trip for dirt with th empty wheelbarrow upsid down?"

In broken English, th Chinese replied: "Not s heavy that way!"

In 1884 both the Warre mansion and the barn we built. Later a barn was bui for horses. The Warre family had lived in a smal er house which is locate near the gate entrance the Warren estate of today.

When the Astoria ar South Coast Railroad wa organized in 1888 (Young Bay to Seaside), Warre was elected the first pres dent.

IN 1892, Warren decide that he wanted to do som thing for education. He d nated the huge sum of $1,1 for a school in the area. Th teachers and schol childre did the janitor work ar carried wood and water. report of the time says th there was one dipper f drinking by all in the schoo

Deep, Productive Roots

DANIEL K. WARREN to build Warrenton offered lot free to anyone constructing $1,000 house on it, also matching money for building costing $3,000 or more.

An old iron stove furnished heat for the children and teachers.

Just after 1890, Warren bought a lumber mill in the area from a man named Kelly. The mill was steam-driven. It is interesting to note that street planks sold for $4 per thousand board feet.

In addition to his other activities, Warren was now in the cattle business. He bought cattle in The Dalles. Cowboys drove the cattle to Portland, and a steamer took the cargo to Astoria and up the Skipanon River to the pasture land. Unloading was done at high tide. Warren also grazed cattle on what today is Neah - kah - nie Mountain on the coast.

IN 1896 he offered $1,000 to any man who would erect a building costing not less than $3,000 in the town. If one built a $1,000 residence, Warren would give a choice lot worth $300. He said he wanted to build a city more than make a profit from land. He even had tree saplings sent in from Illinois.

The city of Warrenton became a reality in 1899 when the people of the area requested incorporation. They honored their first citizen — D.K. Warren. A charter was granted.

Warren now was the father of four children: two boys and two girls. He had retired and was living the life of a country gentleman in the classic, gingerbread mansion. The during an illness he died on Sept. 4, 1903. His son George, born in 1879, took over the vast land holdings.

It is interesting to note that the cook for Mrs. George Warren for many years was the last full-blooded princess of the Clatsop Indian tribe. She was Mrs. Kate Juhrs, born at the Fort Stevens area in 1851. Her father was the last chief of the Clatsops, Chief Tostum.

MRS. JUHRS had the mark of royalty in the Clatsop tribe — a flat head. Her head was flat just above the eye-brows.

Heirs to the Warren estate sold the land of the headwaters of the Lewis and Clark River — Warrenton's water supply — too the city for $5,000. In 1956 this water business of the city amounted to a sizeable income for the municipal government.

George Warren, D.K.'s son, told the writer in 1959 that his father always thought there was a strong reward for industry. In addition, D.K. believed that there should be a liberal rather than a narrow interpretation of business laws, which would permit the greatest results in the end.

Young George Warren, great-grandson of D.K., is master of the Warren estate today, living there with his wife and children. His father was Dan, the son of George Warren. The present owner is a helicopter pilot in Portland when not busy in Warrenton. The family resides in a comfortable home next to the picturesque old mansion.

Today the classic mansion of 1884 dominates the skyline of the Warrenton riviera like a stately old dowager queen who has just raised her skirts and sat down on the grassy knoll among the trees. She is soverign of the Skipanon that was diked by Chinese coolies.

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Tales Of The "Life

IN THE early days, Kate Farley spent many a stormy night and day on the beach, helping her husband, the late Capt. Robert Farley, U. S. Coast Guard, rescue crews and passengers from ships that were wrecked on the Oregon coast — and ships with familiar names — the Glenessen, the Mimi, the Argo, the Peter Iredale. The list of wrecks and rescues Kate has seen is a long one. It is no wonder she says some nights she dreams about the old storms and sees the Captain and his men wading into the surf to launch their lifeboat and row out across the breakers to the wrecks.

Kate lives now in the house in Garibaldi she and the Captain bought when he retired from the Coast Guard in 1937. The Captain was a ten-year veteran of the Coast Guard when he met and married Kate in 1900 (Kate was just 18) and took her to live at the Coast Guard station at Hammond, near Astoria. In 1908, the captain was assigned to command the station at Barview, just north of Garibaldi at the mouth of Tillamook Bay, and this was Kate's home until 1937, and where she raised her two boys.

Beside Kate's front door is a little sign that reads, "Door Bell, Pull Up," and when you pull the iron lever below the sign, an old ship's bell clangs within the depths of her house. "That bell is from the engine room of the Oshkosh," Kate says. (The Oshkosh turned turtle in a storm in 1911 and washed ashore.) "The Captain rigged the bell up after we bought this place." Her glassed-in front porch is full of plants. "Before we go in, you must see my African Violets. Aren't they huge?"

There were many more shipwrecks in Kate's day . . .

Kate says, "This is just an old lady's house." Kate is 86, but spry and alert. She moves so fast she seems always to be running. "I always go full speed ahead, so my son tells me." And she does. Kate has lived in the house since the Captain died in 1947. "I do all my own housework, even the washing, and I bake my own bread and rolls." Kate's is a warm house, comfortably furnished, and just as tidy as if she were still living at Barview or Hammond and expecting the Coast Guard inspector to drop in at any minute.

On the mantel in the livingroom is the bell from the poop deck of the Peter Iredale. "The crew gave it to me before they left the beach the morning after the rescue," Kate said. She has an enlarged colored photograph of the Peter Iredale on her livingroom wall in which the ship sits high and almost proud on the sand of Clatsop Spit. The picture was taken long before the waves began to pound it to pieces. Next to the Peter Iredale is a picture of the Glenessen. "Everyone walked away from this wreck," she said. On the opposite wall is a colored photograph of a man in a southwester who Kate said was Captain Smith. "He lived here after he retired and used to come to see Captain Farley while he was laid up after the rescue of the Argo."

And this, Kate said, is the way they used to launch the lifeboats on the beach. "See, the lifesavers had to push the Dubbins right into the surf." A Dubbins was a long, round-bottomed lifeboat, pointed at either end. Kate still uses the old term and calls all coast guardsmen below the rank of captain "lifesavers."

Kate has newspaper clippings of all the wrecks the Captain worked on pasted in a large scrapbook with brown leather covers. Mixed with the clippings are letters and other memorabilia of her family and her own personal life. She has two other smaller scrapbooks filled with pictures of other ships that were wrecked along the Oregon coast in her time, the crews and Coast Guard stations at Hammond and Barview and swimmers on the beach. "That's the way they used to dress for swimming," Kate said. "The girls even wore corsets under their bathing suits, and stockings! There I am." And she pointed to the pretty young girl who was keeping company with Captain Farley at the time the picture was taken.

"A museum in New York wrote and asked if they could borrow these books," Kate said, "But I don't know. They're so messy and they have so many just personal things."

The first entry in the big scrapbook is a typed list of the names of Kate's grandparents, on her mother's side, and their ten children. By each name is the date and place of birth. Grandfather Bartholmew Kindred left Indiana in 1843, crossed the plains and settled near Astoria. "Look here," Kate said, "three of grandfather's children were born in Indiana. This child, (pointing), was born in Davis County, Missouri, during the crossing, and the other children were born in Oregon. Shows how long it took grandfather to get here."

Capt. Robert Farley, U.S.C.G.

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By James Magmer

Kate's mother married the lighthouse keeper at Fort Stevens. Kate and her brother Joseph, who was to be miraculously rescued from the Oshkosh, were born in the lighthouse. The lighthouse has since been torn down and replaced with Battery Russell.

Captain Farley was born in Sweden in 1873, but came to this country with his family in 1886 and settled at Coos Bay. His first contact with the Coast Guard was when he volunteered to help with the rescue of the Arago. (Not to be confused with the Argo which was wrecked later.) He stayed on with the Coast Guard as a hired helper for a while, then formally enlisted in 1897 and was sent to the station at Hammond where he met Kate. "We lived right next door to the Coast Guard station," Kate said. "I used to do the Captain's washing. That's how I met him."

"The Captain was a big man, weighed over 200 pounds, but you had to be a big man to be in the Coast Guard in those days. Some of those puny little fellows today couldn't have made it." Kate has a picture in her scrapbook of the Captain as a young man, taken in the tight, full-sleeved jerseys men wore in those days when they boxed. He is handsome and strongly muscled. "I put an end to his boxing," Kate said. "I refused to see him anymore if he continued. I saved this picture, but I had to hide it under my bed so my mother wouldn't find it."

Kate said a young friend of hers, whose husband is now a coast guardsman, complained because her husband had gotten wet one day. "The Captain and his lifesavers got wet everytime they went out, wading into the surf to launch their boats. And they had to row. All the boats today have motors and they have tractors to haul the boats down the beach. We didn't even have any roads in the early days. The men had to drag the boats along the beach."

There were many more shipwrecks in Kate's day than there are now. The freighters were smaller and powered by sail, or if they had engines, the engines were small and when the wind was strong they often couldn't make into the harbors against the outcoming tide and were swept onto the bars. " It didn't take much pounding of a windy ocean to break up a ship that was caught on a bar," Kate said. "And those are the kind of seas the Captain had to go out on." Kate was startled recently when she heard another Coast Guard widow say, "Kate never told the Captain not to go."

"Of course I didn't," Kate said. "I knew what kind of work he did when I married him. But it was hard, watching him go out and not knowing whether he would ever come back. Know how a lifeboat drops off the ocean and disappears (slides down in the trough between waves)? That's when my heart would sink, those moments when I couldn't see him on the ocean."

Captain Farley discovered the Peter Iredale while walking his dog on the beach that night in 1904. The Peter Iredale had been standing off the mouth of the Columbia River under full sail when

Kate Farley—alone now

the strong winds and current veered her out of control and carried her onto the beach. The crew were all brought safely ashore and kept in a sheltered area on the beach.

"In the morning," Kate said, "the captain of the Iredale asked Captain Farley to take him out to the ship so he could get the ship's papers. Captain Farley told him, 'I don't mind going out across those breakers again if you will order your men something to eat first.' Imagine keeping those men on the beach all night and not feeding them! Well, the captain ordered food for his men and Captain Farley took him out to the ship for the papers. When the crew was leaving the beach, the men gave me the ship's bell because Captain Farley had gotten them breakfast. One man told me they had been offered $8 for the bell. That was a lot of money in those days."

Kate has pictures of the old Coast Guard station at Barview. "It's been abandoned and the Coast Guard has a new station on the highway here in Garibaldi. But that's where we lived at Barview. The seas came through my house twice, just washed everything." (Dates on the pictures indicate the storms were in 1914 and 1934.) "The waves came right to the eaves of the house. This was before they built the jetty. Here's the famous Barview Hotel and here's the way it looked the day after the storm." The 1914 storm had carried it off its founda-

Capt. Farley discovered the Peter Iredale while

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tion and left it a crumpled heap.

"Here's my brother George. He was the only one saved off the Oshkosh," Kate said. The Oshkosh was a two-masted freighter that carried cheese and other freight from Tillamok to ports along the coast "They left here one day about noon (1911) and a big storm came up. I was so worried for George I couldn't sleep and went down to the beach. The Captain came down and said, 'Kate, what are you looking for?' 'The Oshkosh,' I said. 'I'm so worried about George.' 'Foolish, Kate,' he said, 'Don't worry. They'll make it. I'm sure the Oshkosh will get in.'

"Well, the Oshkosh turned turtle that night and all her crew was lost, except George who was trapped in the engine room. That ship came in upside down at Fort Stevens, right where George was born. When George got out of the wreck he seemed all right, though he had blood running from his ears and nose from the pressure inside the engine room. Every time the boat dropped off a wave, the pressure would build. George walked up the beach to my mother's house to let her know he was safe, then he collapsed. But he recovered and went to sea again.

"I didn't know all this, of course, until they sent a telegram from Fort Stevens, saying George was safe. One of the men at our station found the nameplate off the Oshkosh on the beach here before the telegram came. But he told the other lifesavers, 'For heaven's sake, don't tell Kate. Her brother's on that boat.'

"This is the Bark Cavour that was wrecked on Peacock Spit. There was a story on this wreck in The Oregonian not long ago and the man was telling how everbody was lost. They didn't lose anybody. Captain Farley was anchor man and held the line tight until all 16 men could come ashore. The ship sank 25 minutes after the last man was taken off her and when the captain came home, his hands were dripping blood from holding the line and burned from the salt and the sand."

Kate goes on turning pages of yellow newspaper clippings and old photographs. "The Tyee," she said, "capsized here on the bar. This ship (pointing to another picture) was wrecked at Hopkinsville across the way. What was her name? I can't recall anymore. The captain took the crew off and the ship broke up almost immediately. In a week's time there wasn't anything left. Here's the Galena, but that was back at Hammond and the lifesavers used the breeches buoy to get the men off. The Czarina was wrecked out here in 1910.

"The Mini! Now that was a bad one. Twenty-two men drowned on her up in Nehalem Bay. After she run aground, the men took off all the ballast and when she floated into deep water she turned turtle. Captain Farley called down the next morning for the beach apparatus. I left the two boys and took the little cannon and everything else to shoot the lifeline up on the work train. The captain managed to rescue five of the crew.

"Now this was the worst wreck we ever had." And Kate unfolded the front page of the Tillamook paper which detailed the wreck and rescue of the steamer Argo, Sept. 27, 1909, on the bar at the mouth of Tillamook Bay. "It was the awfulest thing," Kate said. "I nearly lost my mind."

The Argo was one of a number of small steamers that were much in demand at the beginning of the century to carry freight and passengers up and

The Captain (left) and his crew

down the Oregon coast. On this voyage, the Argo left Astoria about 9 in the morning and reached the mouth of Tillamook Bay about 3 in the afternoon, but going in the steamer hit rocks, disabling one of her engines. The captain tried to make it in with just one engine, but the wind and the outcoming tide were too strong. The steamer drifted back onto the bar, then off into deep water. She was taking water so fast it was all her crew could do to keep her afloat.

"The waves were just terrible," Kate said. "The captain and his men managed to launch their boat and began rowing out to the Argo, but the captain told me later that going over one wave the boat dropped off the ocean with such force the spine must have broken."

When the captain reached the Argo, they lowered four women passengers (two women and two little girls) into the life boat and four men, but the captain

"Here's my brother George. He was the only one saved off the Oshkosh," Kate said.

didn't think he would make the beach with them all so he returned to the Argo and the men were taken back on board.

"I was watching them come in," Kate said, "and when they hit the breakers, the lifeboat capsized. I saw them all thrown into the ocean. One of the lifesavers drowned. His life jacket came in off the ocean," Kate said, "but he never did." One of the women and one of the young girls drowned and the other girl certainly would have, had not Kate set to work immediately, giving her artificial respiration.

"I don't know how long I worked on that girl," Kate said. "It seemed hours. We didn't use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, like they do now. I had to straddle her and keep pressing down on her rib cage, but she finally revived."

The captain broke his arm when the life boat capsized and was in the ocean some time before reaching the beach. Not knowing his arm was broken, he waved both arms vigorously to warm himself until the pain in his broken arm forced him to stop. "We put him to bed in the station," Kate said. "He had a lot

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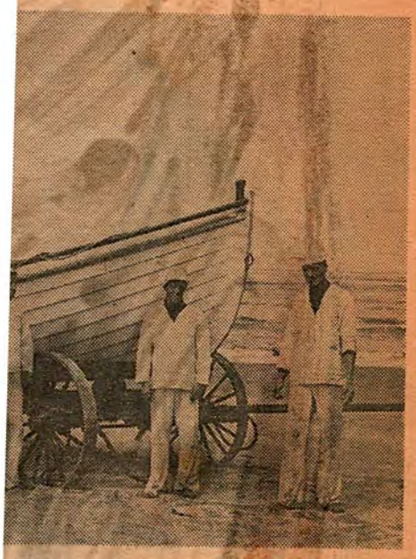


of salt water in his lungs. I thought he would die."

The rest of the crew and passengers left the Argo in the ship's two lifeboats, the captain in charge of one, the mate in charge of the other. When they neared the breakers on the beach, the mate, according to an eye witness, said, "It would be suicide to try to land in that surf." Both life boats drifted out to sea in the dark. It was now almost 10 p.m., and the Argo drifted over into the area of Twin Rocks and sank. Later that night, the Oshkosh picked up the mate's boat and took all its passengers aboard. The captain's boat was met by a Lighthouse ship early in the morning and its passengers rescued.

"But that night," Kate said, "one of the lifesavers, a married man, came and got me and took me down to the beach where the woman who had drowned lay. She was naked, one of the most beautiful women I have ever seen. And I could see she was pregnant. The baby was moving inside her." But Kate said there was nothing anyone could do to take the baby from her.

"I had her brought up to the barn and laid on planks and covered," Kate said. "We set lanterns near her to keep the rats away. Two days later we took her to Tillamook and buried her, but that night a mob formed in Tillamook and went out and dug her up. They thought she had been buried alive. That's when I almost lost my mind. Would I have let her be buried if I thought she was still living?" Why did the Tillamook people think she had been buried alive? "Well," Kate said, "she never really stiffened up. You could pick up her arm and it would fall back gracefully."

Years later, Kate said, the girl she had saved from drowning came to visit her. "I didn't recognize her," Kate said. "I was on the Argo,' this woman said 'You brought me back. And I wish you never had. I'm no good.'

"I tried to reason with her," Kate said, "to make her understand she could still make something of her life. I knew she had left a husband and two small children in Tillamook and gone off somewhere, but all she would say is, 'I'm no good.'

"She had just left when old Captain Smith came by. 'Kate,' he said, 'that woman should never have come near a woman like you. When I heard she was here, I came to throw her out of your house. Do you know what she is? She's the snake charmer with the circus that's in town. She saw a woman in the crowd last night she thought was you and came up to her with those snakes coiled around her neck and pushed their heads almost in her face.'

"Well, that's when I found she had run off with a circus fellow," Kate said.

Throughout the years Kate has had visits from some survivors of the wrecks. One was one of the young crewmen taken off the Peter Iredale who came back years later as master of his own ship and had Kate and the Captain aboard to dinner one night. "It was so grand," Kate said. "I had my own waiter. He stood behind my chair all through dinner." And there was the sea captain who held his ship up off San Francisco for hours because his mate said, "I saw a man out there." "This captain told me," Kate said, "That 'If my mate saw a man out there, there was a man out there.' Well, he cruised around for two hours and finally they found the man, clinging to an overturned boat. When they tried to take him aboard, the man said, 'Get Bill, too.' But Bill was gone. They had been fishing, tied up to some kelp, and drifted out to sea."

"It would be suicide to try to land in that surf."

Another visitor from the old days was a coast guardsman the Captain had once fired. "He wasn't an enlisted man," Kate said. "In those days a man could just hire on and that's what this young man had done. But the Captain fired him when he found he was taking a bottle and his girl to stand watch with him at night.

"When he came to visit me, he was in the Coast Guard uniform with gold up to here." She pointed to her elbow.

"'After the captain fired me,' he said, 'I went home and my parents wanted to know why I wasn't working at the station anymore. I told them I couldn't get along with the Farleys, but they knew better. Mother kept saying, "The Farleys are wonderful people. What really happened?" I never would tell her. But I decided I would show Captain Farley I could amount to something after all.' And he certainly had," Kate said. "He was an inspector and I never saw so much gold on a man's sleeve."

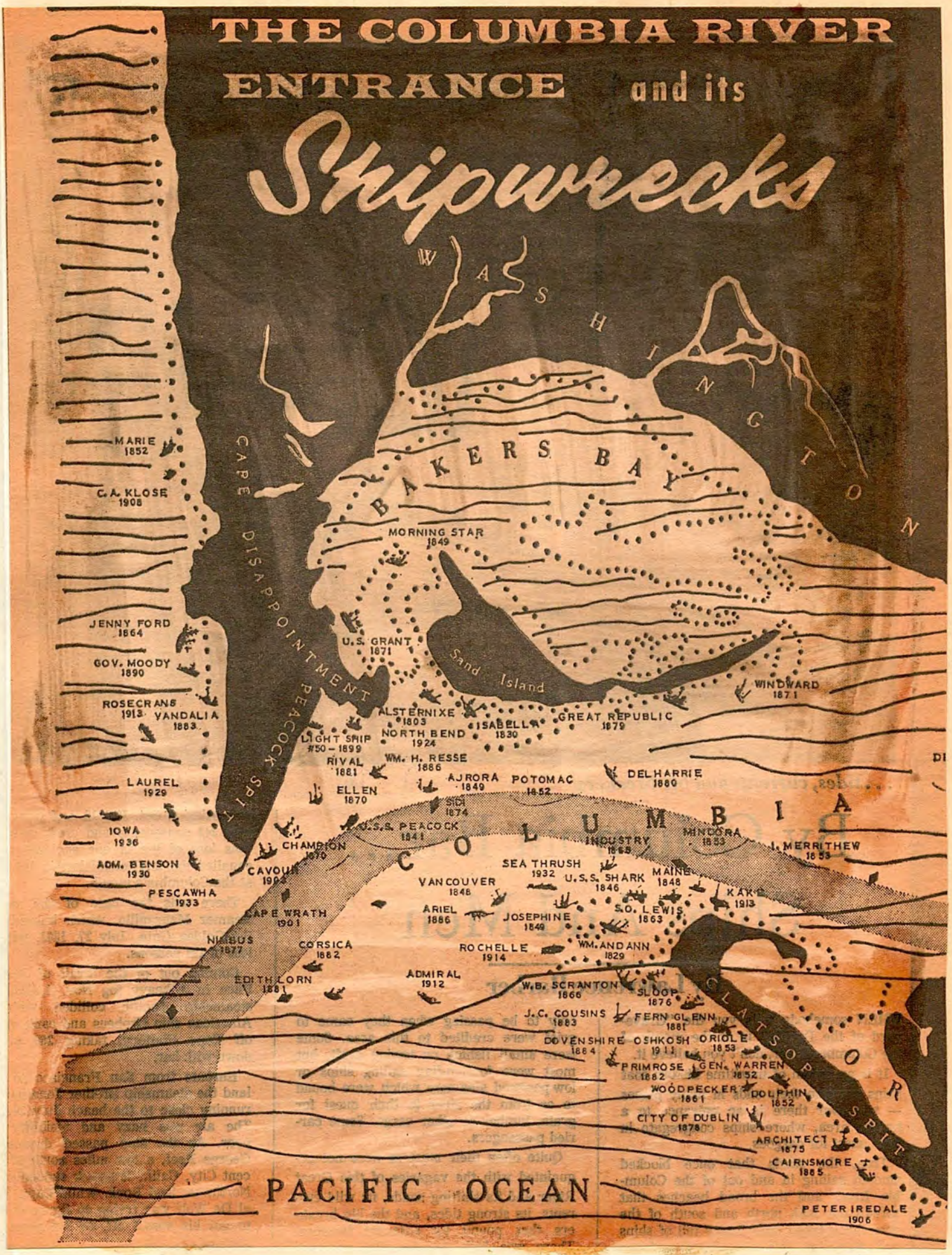
But it is hard to keep Kate Farley talking about the old days, about ship wrecks and the rescue of men and women from the sea. This is a part of her life and she's proud of it and proud Captain Farley chose her to be his wife. But she prefers to live in the present. "Come, let me show you my house," she will say, "and I'll make you some coffee."

As Kate takes you from room to room, she will say, this house is really too big for just me, but I plan to stay here as long as I can take care of myself. See this old chair. I just reupholstered it myself." Picking up an Indian basket full of aprons from a corner of her living room, she says, "This is another of my projects. I just finished 35 of them.

"Halloween was fun. I must have had 70 kids pull that old bell from the Oshkosh and ask for candy."

James Magmer is a staff writer for The Oregonian. Photographs of Mrs. Farley and the bell by Bill Kelly, Tillamook, others are courtesy of Mrs. Farley.

THE COLUMBIA RIVER ENTRANCE and its Shipwrecks



SHIPWRECKS AT AND NEAR THE

1725—Spanish ship, Clatsop Beach — not verified.

1811—Am. bark Tonquin, stranded, 8 men drowned in small boat; ship got off.

1829—Mar. 10—Br. bark William and Ann, Clatsop Beach, 26 men massacred.

1830—May-Br. Bark Isabella, on Sand Island, crew saved.

1841—July 18—USS. brig Peacock, on north spit, crew safe. Spit was later named Peacock Spit.

1846—Sept. 10 — USS. Shark, on entrance sands; got off.

1848—May 8—Br. bark Vancouver, crew saved.

1848—Aug. 25 — Am. whaler Maine, Clatsop Spit; crew safe.

1849—July — Fr. bark Morning Star, Sand Island; 1 lost.

1849—Am. ship Slyvia de Grasse, on sands, crew saved.

1849—Schr. Aurora, off Long Beach.

1849—Br. brig Josephine, Clatsop Spit.

1852—Jan. 28 — Am. str General Warren, sprang leak off Columbia River, returned, grounded on Clatsop Spit. 42 lost.

1852—May — Am. brig Potomac, all saved.

1852—Am. brig Dolphin, Clatsop Spit. Crew saved.

1852—Nov. 20 — American Schr. Machigone capsized off Columbia River; 9 lost.

1852—Dec. 13 — Am. brig Bordeaux, on Clatsop Spit.

1853—Jan. 12 — Am bark Mindora, on Sand Island, drifted off, and ashore Shoalwater Bay. Crew safe.

1853—Jan. 12 — Am. bark I. Merrithew, Clatsop Spit, drifted off, wrecked North Head.

1853—Sept. 19 — Am. ship Oriole, Clatsop Spit. Crew safe.

1854—Feb. 25 — Firefly, Columbia River entrance. 4 lost.

1854—Castle, near Tongue Point,

1855—Dec. 25 — Detroit, Columbia Bar, all saved.

1857—Jan. 1 — Am. bark Desdemona, on sands inside of mouth, 1 lost. Location later named Desdemona Sands.

1858—Enterprise, Col. River Bar.

1859—Rambler, Columbia Beach.

1860—Fr. bark Henrietta, Columbia River entrance.

1860—Dec. 27 — Leonese, Clatsop Spit.

1861—May 10 — Br. schr. Woodpecker, Clatsop Spit. All safe.

1864—Jan. 29 — Am. barkentine Jennie Ford, at North Head, 1 lost.

1864—May 14 — Am. schr. Jenny Jones, Peacock Spit. All safe.

1865—Mar. 16 — Industry, on middle sands, Columbia River, 20 lost.

1865—Mar. 16 — Am. brig S.D. Lewis, Clatsop Spit. All safe.

1866—May 5 — Am. bark W.B. Scranton, middle sands. All safe.

1870—Apr. 15. — Am. schr. Champion, north spit. 2 lost.

1871—Dec. 19 — Am. str. U.S. Grant, Sand Island All safe

1871—Dec. 3 — Bark Windward, Sand Island, Columbia River.

1874—Oct. 3 — Rescue, off North Head.

1875—Mar. 28 — Architect. Clatsop Spit.

1875—Nov. 22 — Schr. Sunshine found bottoms up off Columbia River. 25 lost.

1876—Feb. — Unidentified sloop, believed to be Tillamook stranded on Clatsop Beach, 7 missing.

1877—Dec. 29 — Am. ship Nimbus sank 25 miles NW Columbia River, crew safe.

1878—Oct 18 — City of Dublin, Clatsop Spit. All safe.

1879—Apr. 18 — Am. str. Great Republic, Sand Island.

1880—Mar. 10 — Br. bark Dilharree, Peacock Spit. All safe.

1880—May 4 — Columbia River fishing fleet capsized, 200 fishermen estimated lost.

1881—Sept. 13 — Am. bark Rival, Peacock Spit. All safe.

1881—Oct. 16 — Br. ship Fern Glen, Clatsop Spit. All safe.

1881—Nov. 17 — Br. bark Edith Lorne, stranded Columbia River bar. All safe.

1882—Feb. 21 — Corsica, foundered 12 miles SW Columbia River, all saved.

1882—Primrose, Clatsop Spit.

1883—Sept. 26 — Br. bark Cairnsmore, Clatsop Split. All safe.

1883—Oct. 7 — Pilot schr. J. C. Cousins, Columbia River Bar. 4 lost.

1884—Br. ship Devonshore. Clatsop Split.

1886—Jan. 3 — Carrie B. Lake, Long Beach, 3 lost.

1886—July 23 — Am. bark W.H. Besse, Peacock Spit. All safe.

1886—Ariel, Clatsop Spit. All safe.

1889—Am. schr. Atremsia, North Head.

1889—Dec. 28 — Am. str. Oregon, collided with Br. ship Clan MacKenzie in Columbia River. 2 dead.

MOUTH OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER

1890—Jan. 4 — Am. schr. Douglas Dearborn capsized off Columbia River. Crew lost.

1891—Nov. 3 — Br. ship Strathblane, stranded north of Columbia River, 7 lost.

1896—Mar. 19 — Br. ship Glenmore, Columbia River entrance. 2 lost.

1896—Dec. 19 — German bark Petrimpes, North Beach, Wash., all safe.

1899—Nov. 29 — Columbia River lightship No. 50, blown ashore Peacock Spit, later refloated.

1900—Jan. 1 — Protection, off Columbia River, all lost.

1901—Jan. 16 — Br. bark Cape Wrath, missing with crew of 15 off Columbia River.

1901—Dec. 27 — Fr. bark Henriette, on rocks near Astoria.

1903—Feb. 9 — Alsternixe, Peacock Spit. Refloated.

1903—Dec. 8 — Italian ship Cavour, Peacock Spit. All safe.

1905—Mar. 26 — Am. schr. C.A. Klose, drifted ashore, bottom up, North Beach. All lost.

1906—Oct. 25 — Br. bark Peter Iredale, aground Clatsop Beach. All safe.

1906—Nov. 13 — Br. bark Galena, Clatsop Beach, all safe.

1906—Dec. — Br. bark Melanope, abandoned off Columbia River, all safe.

1911—Feb. 13 — Gas schr. Oshkosh, capsized off Columbia River, 6 lost.

1911—Nov. 17 — Str. Washington, Peacock pit.

1912—Jan. 13 — Schr. Admiral, on Columbia River jetty. All safe.

1913—Jan. 7 — Str. Rosecrans, at North Head. 33 lost.

1913—Nov. 1 — Kake, Columbia River south jetty.

1914—Oct. 21 — Am. str. Rochelle, burned off Clatsop Spit. All safe.

1917—Dec. 21 — Capt. James Fornance, Cape Disappointment.

1920—Jan. 25 — Hammond, 10 miles S. of Columbia River.

1922—May 28 — Br. str. Welsh Prince, sank near Altoona, after collision with Am. str. Iowan. 7 dead.

1928—Jan. 5 — A.m. schr. North Bend, Peacock Spit; refloated.

1929—June 16 — Am. str. Laurel, Peacock Spit. 1 lost.

1929—June 16 — Schr. Multnomah, Columbia River Bar.

1930—Feb. 15 — Str. Admiral Benson stranded Peacock Spit. All saved.

1932—Dec. 4 — Am. str. Sea Thrush, Clatsop Spit, All saved.

1933—Feb. 27 — Schr. Pescawha, Columbia River north jetty. 1 lost.

1934—May 3 — Nor. SS Childar bumped Peacock Spit, got off. 4 dead.

1934—Dec. — SS Charles L. Wheeler, Jr., aground Sand Island. Got off.

1936—Jan. 12 — Am. str. Iowa, outer Peacock Spit. 34 lost

1937—May 11 — River MS Efin, burned near Ilwaco

1941—Apr 3 — Russ. SS Vazlav Vorovsky, stranded near North jetty. All safe.

1941—Dec. 9 — SS Mauna Ala, ran ashore, Clatsop Beach, all saved.

1941—Dec. 26 — USS Nightingale, AM-18, at buoy 11, Columbia River entrance.

1943—Nov. 15 — Barge 14, PSB&D Co., off Columbia River entrance.

1944—Jan. 26 — Electra, Clatsop Spit. All safe.

1947—Jan. 18 — Two PT&B Co. barges, ashore Peacock Spit.

1947—Jan. 23 — Am. SS Drexel Victory, bumped bottom, sank off Peacock Spit. All safe.

1948—Oct. 9 — Tug Multnomah hit Columbia River jetty. 2 lost.

1948—Nov. 16 — Tug Sea Fox towing SS Herald off Columbia River entrance; bumped against ship, sank. 1 dead.

1951—Dec. 12 — Dan. MS Erria afire, Astoria anchorage. 11 dead.

1952—Jan. 21 — Cannery tender Susan, Peacock Spit.

1960—July 28 — Tankers Point Reyes and Flying A. Washington, collided off Columbia River. No casualties.

1961—Jan. 12 — Three Coast Guard boats and one crab fishing boat, Mermaid, Columbia River entrance close to Peacock Spit. 6 lost.

1961—Oct. 14 — Am. tanker Syosset and Jap. MS Yamamiya Maru, collision, buoy 19.

1963—Dec. 7 — Am. MS C-Trader, struck Willapa bar, sank off Desdemona Lt. on tow.

1964—Jan. 30 — Barge George Olson, wrecked on jetty A.

1964—May 24 — SS Santa Anna collided with Columbia River lightship. All safe.

1965—Feb. 26 — Barge Columbia, sank off Long Beach, Wash., with 42 containers.

1967—Oct. 22 — Greek SS Captayannis ran aground on Clatsop Spit; pulled off by tug Salvage Chief, October 31.

APRIL 24, 1969 - Seaside Signal

County Court,
Court House,
Astoria, Oregon

Strong winds were blowing when Capt. Karl E. Skovgaard of Svendborg, Denmark, at right, visited the Clatsop sand dunes about three miles north of Gearhart last Friday. But they were not as strong as those on November 13, 1906, when he came ashore there with the British bark Galena. Pointing to the location of the remains of the Galena is Paul See, Clatsop college science instructor, who found them.

Galena beaching:

Danish captain returns to 1906 shipwreck site

On November 13, 1906, Earl E. Skovgaard of Denmark was an 18-year-old able seaman on the British bark Galena when it came ashore on the Clatsop beach about three miles north of Gearhart during a storm.

Last Friday, a retired Danish naval and merchant fleet captain, he returned to Clatsop county to visit the site of the wreck, descendents of Mr. and Mrs. Josiah West, who first gave the crew shelter, and Astoria, where he had stayed during hearings concerning the wreck. It was his first visit here since 1906.

The Galena, which was wrecked 20 days after the Peter Iredale, was coming in from Chile to Astoria to take on a load of grain for Europe. It was carrying just ballast and was riding high when the storm caught it.

Captain Skovgaard recalled that it was "just an ordinary storm" but because the ship was in ballast it couldn't turn against the wind and current. They went over the first wave and the captain saw he couldn't get the ship

he went to Astoria to join another ship owned by the same company and resume his sea career. Some of the others remained in the county for years.

Of the 38 members of the crew, Skovgaard recalled, only five on the British ship were Englishmen. The others were of various Scandinavian and European nationalities and languages, except for the chief officer, who was a Nova Scotian. They got along in "work talk" all right because they used a kind of pidgin English but when it came to conversation only a few could talk together.

"Discipline!" skovgaard commented. "The captain was master and ruled the ship. There was no doubt about that. We had some troublemakers but they did their jobs."

Last Friday, Skovgaard visited in Seaside with Mrs. Violet West See, with whom he had corresponded since he had stayed at her parents' home, and Mrs. Daisy West Fulkerson. He was brought here by Carl Peterson of

out. He decided to sail in straight because if the ship came in broadside, the waves would lift it and then drop it on the bottom, driving the four masts down through the hull. That would mean that the ship would stay out in deeper water. It was about 4 a.m.

The crew stayed on the Galena until the tide went out and then came ashore. All they could see was the ocean, the beach and the first sand dune. They walked over the dunes and finally came to Neacoxie lake. Not knowing whether it was a lake or a river, the captain sent one man south along the shore and another north.

One of them returned within a few minutes to report that he had found a small rowboat. Leaving one man to wait for the other scout, the rest went to the boat. Because it could carry only two men, only one stayed on the eastern shore each trip, the other one rowing back to pick up another man. There were 38 officers and men in the crew.

They stayed the whole day in a small hunting cabin on the eastern bank of the lake. That night they saw eyes in the dark and thought that the animals might be wolves, Skovgaard related. Because they heard no noise, some of the men thought it might be deer. When daylight came, they found out that it was sheep and they had roasted mutton.

Then, they walked eastward again and in about half a mile came to the West home. They stayed there a day or two and then were taken by train to Astoria. After the hearings, which took about a week, Skovgaard and several others returned to the West farm. Skovgaard remained there until December 24, when

Hillsboro, a grandson of the Josiah Wests, who also had corresponded with him and who visited him in Denmark several years ago.

Paul See, science instructor at Clatsop community college, who had used a highly sensitive compass to locate remains of the Galena's steel hull, now buried under sand about 600 feet from the high tide line and about 60 feet from the lower Surf Pines road, took him to the site. He also took Skovgaard to the west shore of Neacoxie lake not far from the place where the rowboat had been found in 1906. With them were Mrs. Fulkerson, Peterson and Marion Fulkerson and Julian Prescott, other grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. West.

Captain Skovgaard was back here this week for a visit with the Sees and a trip to Astoria to see changes in that city since he had been there more than 62 years ago.

Skovgaard, whose home is in Svendborg, Denmark, was 14 when he first went to sea. He stayed in sailing until the outbreak of World War I in 1914, when he went into the Danish navy and used the time to become a naval officer. He went back to merchant ships until World War II when he went into the navy again, as a supply officer.

He planned to go from here to Milwaukee, Wisc., to visit relatives and then to New York to fly back to Denmark. He plans to attend an annual meeting in Oslo, Norway, next June of an international organization of sailors who went around Cape Horn in sailing ships.

CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 17, 1969

The meeting was called to order by William Foster, Chairman Pro Tem. George Fulton, Vice Chairman, was unable to attend, since there was an emergency meeting of the Port of Astoria. (Mr. Fulton appeared just as the meeting adjourned, not being able to leave the Port meeting earlier.)

Members present: Ned Thorndike, Jack Suftin, William Foster, Clarence Sigurdson, Trygve Duoos, Eli McConkey, and Helen C. Griffith.

It was moved by Clarence Sigurdson and seconded by Trygve Duoos that the minutes be accepted as read. Motion carried.

With reference to the arch at the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery, Ned Thorndike asked what we wanted the Parks Committee of the City of Astoria to do about the matter. It was the feeling of the Committee that we had done what was possible for the county to do and the City would wish to complete this historical matter. It was felt the Parks Committee for the City would wish to be instrumental in bringing this matter to the front, for consideration of the City.

Eli McConkey reported for the Nominating Committee. There were not enough of the members of the nominating committee to get together, what with the snow and illness. Suggested we leave it for another month. Agreed by the members. Eli McConkey suggested that since Dorothy Wootton was not interested in being secretary, perhaps Carl Labiske would be interested in taking this position.

William Foster mentioned that Vern Leach of the American Legion might be interested in assisting with the marker for the Japanese shelling of the coastline. Helen Griffith mentioned that this matter had previously been presented to Mr. Leach by Hiram Johnson, and Mr. Leach seemed quite interested in the matter. Mr. Leach will be asked to attend the April meeting of the Historical Advisory Committee.

Discussed the Westport Tunnel area. Jack Sutfin stated that the man is still in his home and shows no signs of moving and nothing can be done about cleaning it up until he leaves.

Jack Sutfin also mentioned the Plympton grave. Looked all over the hill and was unable to find it. Feels that the fence surrounding the grave had collapsed and thus

it is hard to find. He is going to have another look in the area. They were concrete posts with heavy wire around the posts to protect the grave. There was a general discussion as to whether there was a marker on the grave itself and Mr. Sutfin felt there must have been.

Helen Griffith reported several matters at this time. Read a letter from Wendell Wyatt, Member of Congress, to Dr. E. W. Harvey, Chairman of the Clatsop County Historica Advisory Committee wherein Mr. Wyatt thanked Dr. Harvey for the letter of February 21 and the resolution of the Board of County Commissioners in Clatsop in behalf of Legislation for the continuation of the National Lewis and Clark Trail Commission. Enclosed with Mr. Wyatt's letter was a copy of Bill H.R. 6812 which Mr. Wyatt introduced in the House of Representatives to expedite the interstate planning and coordination of a continuous Lewis and Clark Trail Highway. Should this bill pass the sum of $300,000 will be authorized to be expended by the Secretary of Transportation from general administrative funds to be apportioned among the States through which the Lewis and Clark Expedition passed, on the basis of the various States' relative needs.

Letter received from Dorothy Wootton correcting statement made in December, 1968 minutes with reference to the Japanese shelling of theCoast and reference to her father, which statement was made by Carl Labiske. (Correction shown on original minutes of December 16, 1968.)

James Thomson, Superintendent of Fort Clatsop National Memorial and President of Clatsop County Historical Society, left the copy of a letter to Miss Elizabeth Walton, Park Historian, Oregon State Highway Department, Salem, and other documents with reference to the inventory of historic sites in Clatsop County. Among other things stated in the letter by Mr. Thomson was the following: "I have discussed the requirements of this program with Mr. Rolf Klep, as you suggested, and also with Dr. Edward Harvey, who is currently chairman of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Commission. The Commission has been very instrumental in coordinating recognition of historic sites in the county, and perhaps could serve in a similar manner for the purposes of this program. The Commission will hold its regular monthly meeting on February 17 and the

matter will be brought up for discussion at that time." Since the February 17 meeting of the Historical Advisory Committee was cancelled because of illnesses and absenteeism from the county, the above mentioned matter was not brought before this committee. However, for the record, mention was made of same tonight and shall be referred to the Chairman, Dr. Harvey, for further consideration.

Clarence Sigurdson mentioned the old Alex Gilbert home in Seaside; however, did not know age of the house. Thought, if it is old enough, it could be marked. Alex Gilbert was Mrs. Eli McConkey's grandfather. Eli McConkey will attempt to find particulars on this home, but felt that perhaps others could learn more than he could. The address of Alex B. Gilbert was provided for further investigative purposes. Mr. Gilbert resides at 9760 S. W. Inglewood Place, Portland, Oregon 97225. The house is located at the corner of Avenue A and Beach Drive in Seaside. Also, it was suggested that George Fulton could probably dig up the necessary information with reference to Alex Gilbert's home. Eli McConkey mentioned that Alex made his money off of the old Wigwam Saloon on Astor Street.

Trygve Duoos felt that we should move out a little and mark other houses in other communities of the county.

William Foster suggested that we not only meet here, but also in other area of the county. This would interest others in attending, perhaps, and create a bit more interest in this committee and the work it is trying to accomplish. Everyone agreed that there are many people who would probably be interested in contributing information to the committee, and could attend such a meeting if it was known the meeting would be held now and then in a community near them. It was suggested that we invite Charles Cartwright and Mrs. Eugene Hill to a meeting of the Committee, should we choose to meet in Seaside. These people could be of great help to the history gathering efforts of the committee.

There was a general discussion at this time on the old S. P. & S. Railway Lines, as well as various other historical matters.

In this day and time of life the Ports of Astoria and Portland have become one port.

Discussion was held concerning the feasibility of deepening the channel and whether or not it would be smart to have the large ships travel on up the river to Portland or do their loading in Astoria.

There being no further business it was moved by Ned Thorndike and seconded by Clarence Sigurdson that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

Clatsop County

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DAVID S. DICKSON, ASSESSOR

April 17, 1969

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE CLATSOP COUNTY
HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Dear Member:

The April meeting of the Historical Advisory Committee will be held in the office of the Board of County Commissioners, Court House, Astoria, at 7:00 P. M., Monday, April 21, 1969.

This meeting is most **important** and if it is at all possible, we know you will be present. The consideration and suggestions of each member are needed to make the activities of the committee a success.

Enclosed, for your records, is a copy of the minutes of the March 17, 1969 meeting.

Very truly yours,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

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CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 21, 1969

The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chairman, George Fulton.

Members present: Ned Thorndike, Clarence Sigurdson, Russell Bristow, Bill Foster, Dorothy Wootton, George Fulton, Carl Labiske, Irene Altstadt, Eli McConkey, and Helen C. Griffith.

Also in attendance was Jim Thomson, presenting the Clatsop County Historical Society; Hiram Johnson and Lyle Ordway, County Commissioners; and a guest, Vern Leach, from the American Legion.

It was moved by Clarence Sigurdson and seconded by Dorothy Wootton that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

Ned Thorndike mentioned attending the Pacific County historical meeting and finding it to be of much interest.

Clarence Sigurdson mentioned trying to contact Tom Young; however, George Fulton stated the gentleman was rather sensitive about parting with the records prepared by his wife, before her death. George felt it would be rather difficult to obtain these notes, and it was suggested that perhaps after some time has been allowed to elapse he will feel more like sharing these records.

Jim Thomson explained, to those present, the letter to Miss Walton. It states the need of the Highway Department to compile a list of historic sites in the state. Suggested that any cooperation that could be given by our group would be greatly appreciated, he was sure.

Jim Thomson spoke about 'Old Bill's' hotel at the conference grounds in Cannon Beach. Those interested in Lewis & Clark and historical matters, in Cannon Beach, held an organizational meeting, which was also attended by Ned Thorndike, Hiram Johnson, and Jim Thomson. Mr. Thomson mentioned Chuck Miles of Cannon Beach, who emceed the meeting, and that he seemed to be the 'spark plug' and following some discussion, it was suggested that Mr. Miles would be a good member of the Historical Advisory Committee.

It was moved by Dorothy Wootton and seconded by Bill Foster that a recommendation of this Committee go to the Board of County Commissioners that Mr. Chuck Miles, of Cannon Beach, be appointed to the Historical Advisory Committee. Motion carried.

Eli McConkey mentioned that he was to contact Ray Watkins, also, who is President of the Chamber of Commerce in Cannon Beach.

Up to this point Eli McConkey has been unable to get his nominating committee together.

George Fulton was quite concerned over the matter of the marker for the Japanese shelling of the Coast, and felt that we should pursue the matter to its completion. Mr. Fulton feels this is a tremendous action and it should be commemmorated.

At this point, George Fulton presented two drawings, prepared by Dick Thompson, for future markers. Mr. Thompson stated that he would set a marker, depicting the shelling by a Japanese submarine, set in concrete for $500.00 and the same marker, set in a base of split-face granite as sketched, would be $100.00 additional, or a total of $600.00.

The price of a marker giving history of the Astoria Column would be the same price as above, $600.00. Should two or more of these markers be purchased at the same time the cost would be $50.00 less per marker. (Copy of Dick Thompson's letter incorporated herein as a part of the records of this committee.)

At this time Bill Foster and George Fulton presented Vern Leach to the membership. Mr. Leach appeared on behalf of the American Legion. He stated that the American Legion is looking for a 50th Anniversary project that would be lasting. Mr. Leach feels this would be very fitting, and stated that he has the approval of the District to take on a project of this size.

Mr. Leach feels that the price of the marker on the Japanese shelling would not be too expensive, and that the local unit could finance it themselves. The Legion would like some marker at the scene that would identify the project as an American Legion 50th Anniversary marker. This was considered the proper thing to do, since the Legion would be taking care of the entire project, with this Committee's blessing. The three shots that landed close together were out near the cemetery and Delaura Beach. The members felt that the intersection of the Ridge Road and Delaura Beach Road would be a good spot for such a marker. The Commissioners stated that the county has some property near the road, so there would be a place that could be set aside for cars to pull off

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ASTORIA GRANITE WORKS
PHONE 503 / 325-0761 • 415 W. MARINE DRIVE, ASTORIA, OREGON 97103
ESTABLISHED 1917

April 12, 1969

Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee
Dr. Edward W. Harvey, Chairman
250 36th Street
Astoria, Oregon, 97103

Dear Dr. Harvey:

Following is a quotation for the cost of historical markers that are carved from granite in the shape of the State of Oreron, of which we have furnished you with sketches.

A marker depicting the shelling by a Japansse submarine set in concrete: $500.00
The same marker set in a base of split-face grantte as sketched would be $100.00 additional or a total of $600.00.

The price of a marker giving history of the Astoria Column would be the same price as above.

If two or more of these markers are purchased at the same time the cost would be $50.00 less per marker.

Thank you for your inquiry.

Sincerely,
Dick Thompson
J.R. "Dick" Thompson

JRT/hs
CC: City Manager, Dale Curry

HISTORICAL LANDMARK
ON JUNE 21, 1942 A 5" SHELL EXPLODED HERE; ONE OF 14 FIRED AT COLUMBIA RIVER HARBOR DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS BY A JAPANESE SUBMARINE. THE ONLY HOSTILE SHELLING OF A MILITARY BASE ON THE U.S. MAINLAND DURING WORLD WAR II AND THE FIRST SINCE THE WAR OF 1812.

Legend Grows Up Around Japanese Fire at Ft. Stevens

By FRED ANDRUS
Of The Daily Astorian

Twenty-seven years have elapsed since a Japanese submarine fired nine inaccurate shots at Fort Stevens, and that has evidently been time enough for growth of a mass of myth and legend about that incident.

This was demonstrated the other day when a Portland reporter, writing an Oregonian magazine section article about Astoria, carelessly reported that Fort Stevens fired at the submarine. Thus does myth replace fact in people's memories.

The incident happened at 11:15 p.m. Sunday, June 21, 1942. It lasted about 15 minutes, and was the only attack by a foreign foe against a continental U.S. military installation since the War of 1812.

Harbor Defenses of the Columbia River in 1942 were garrisoned by the 249th Coast Artillery regiment, an Oregon National Guard organization, and elements of the 18th Coast Artillery.

Armament consisted of Battery Russell at Fort Stevens, a two-gun battery of ancient 10-inch rifles; a similar battery at Battery Allen in Fort Canby, and an 8-inch gun battery at Battery Murphy, Fort Columbia.

'Disappearing' Guns

All these were in fixed concrete emplacements and all the guns were "disappearing" batteries. The guns were on mounts that could be jacked up so the guns were above the parapets, and recoil would push them back into hidden position.

The Japanese submarine, which had lobbed a few rounds toward a Canadian post on Vancouver Island the night before

TONIGHT
PACIFIC POWER'S
"SPOTLIGHT SPECIAL"
STARRING

the highway to view the marker.

Carl Labiske mentioned that one shell landed very close to the Communications Station near Delaura Beach Road.

Mr. Leach would like the approval of this committee to go ahead with this matter of the marker commemmorating the Japanese shelling of the coast. With reference to future expansion, the marker would be a beginning.

It was moved by Dorothy Wootton and seconded by Eli McConkey that this Historical Advisory Committee back Mr. Vern Leach in taking this matter to the American Legion and reporting back to the committee. Motion carried.

Carl Labiske asked about the possibility of matching funds, suggested by Miss Walton.

It was suggested to Vern Leach by Jim Thomson that they contact Rolf Klep, as to the proper design of the submarine, for Mr. Klep has access to the correct design of that particular ship.

Bill Foster and the Committee thanked Mr. Leach for appearing at the meeting and thanked him for taking the drawing and subject matter to his people. For the information of the Historical Advisory Committee, Vern Leach stated that Gerald Gower is chairman of the District and he will contact Mr. Gower.

It was suggested by Dorothy Wootton that we keep in mind this project and when we find out who is going to 'carry the ball' on the matter, we might ask that person, eventually, to become a member of the Historical Advisory Committee. At least, it should be kept in mind.

When Bill Foster, during the time George Fulton had to be away from the meeting, asked Eli McConkey about the nominating committee, Mr. McConkey informed the committee that with absences and illness he has been unable to get his nominating committee together.

The idea of meeting at other places during the coming months, was again brought up for discussion. It was suggested, also, that if we meet other places, we should have some program planned.

The Daily News, Longview
April 16, 1969

The subject of the Westport Tunnel was again brought up. Russell Bristow reported that the Longview Daily News printed quite an interesting article on the Westport Tunnel. Hiram Johnson stated that he had talked with a reporter and referred him to Jack Sutfin. Apparently reporter had a good visit with Jack Sutfin for the article was quite informative. (A copy from the Longview Daily News of April 16, 1969, is incorporated in this month's minutes as part of the record. The newspaper copy was provided by Russell Bristow.)

Ned Thorndike presented to the acting Chairman, George Fulton, a drawing, put together by Ed Harvey (that is, it was Dr. Harvey's suggestion but drawn by Dick Thompson) giving the suggested entrance to the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery. The original idea was that the posts were to be wolmanized; however, this would be too expensive. It was thought, then, that Bumble Bee might be interested in it by getting some cull piling and giving it a copper sulphate treatment, paint the whole thing white, and then inscribe it. Sven Lund is the superintendent out there and so Ned Thorndike thought we might be able to get these logs for a small amount of money. George Fulton asked Ned Thorndike if he wanted to take this matter on and Mr. Thorndike said he would pursue the matter and report back to the committee.

Carl Labiske talked with Dorothy Peake and asked about the cemetery at the end of the Lillenas Road. Mr. Labiske stated that he did not know until then that Dorothy has a sister buried there. Dorothy had said that the early burials were about 1885, but as far as being of interest to the historical committee, Mrs. Peake didn't think it would be of interest to many since it is, more or less, a family affair. The cemetery itself would be of interest, but not looking into the backgrounds of the people who were eventually buried there. The cemetery is fairly well cleaned up and there is a stone there now.

George Fulton brought up the subject of Mr. Plympton, asking if there was anything significant to the Plymptons, historically speaking, other than the creek being named after Mr. Plympton. Russell Bristow stated that he didn't think there was anything further of importance about the family.

George Fulton brought everyone back to the subject of the Astoria Fire, when the

subject of finances came up. The fire was said to have started in the basement of the BeeHive Department Store, but Lawrence Rogers said it started in the Imperial Restaurant. Can do nothing further until the approximate spot for the special marker can be ascertained.

The 1969-1970 budget proposed $1,000.00 for the Historical Advisory Committee, but Hiram Johnson, a member of the Budget Committee, stated that the committee had cut this amount in half. Mr. Johnson suggested that if the committee has anything of real interest, historically, to be marked, we should come to the May meeting with these suggestions in order that the balance of our funds for 1968-69 might be used in this manner.

The members of the Advisory Committee felt it would be a fine gesture if the committee offered to help Cannon Beach in their efforts of putting up a marker in the Cannon Beach area, regarding the whale; however, Jim Thomson stated that there is a marker there now of which their people are pretty proud.

On the whale subject - Shorty Price (Kent Price's stepfather) found old whale bones in the creek and Clarence Sigurdson felt very strongly that this was the whale the Lewis & Clark Expedition found.

It was suggested by Jim Thomson that we let these people in Cannon Beach know there is some money available for worthy projects and let them request assistance for something of interest to the people of Cannon Beach. Eli McConkey will discuss this matter with Chuck Miles before the next meeting.

Ned Thorndike asked Jim Thomson if there are two trails from Fort Clatsop to Seaside. Jim Thomson said there isn't even one. As far as is known there was no Indian Trail because they traveled by canoe. However, Lewis & Clark blazed a trail and the Indians later used this trail and then, of course, the stage followed this route later.

Jim Thomson said, if there is anything with reference to the historic sites, please write them down and get the information to May Miller or Jim Thomson so they can, in turn, be turned over to Miss Walton. Some will eventually be cited as of national interest.

Jim Thomson reminded the committee that the Elmore Cannery has received national status, but does not know the date of the dedication.

Irene Altstadt mentioned that no one has brought up the lumbering industry, historically speaking, such as, where the first sawmill was located.

Dorothy Wootton mentioned that Thad Trullinger's old diary, contains many things which would be of interest to the community and the committee, but does not know where this interesting document might be at the moment, since it was given to the daughter.

Russell Bristow asked about the old Hunt mill, but no one seemed to know anything about it. Mr. Bristow also mentioned that the cannery at Clifton was the first one in Oregon.

Various items were mentioned as possible subject to follow up on. Among these items was the first electric plant, which was mentioned by Carl Labiske.

Dorothy Wootton and Ned Thorndike mentioned the possible marker at the Astoria Column. Ned Thorndike feels that this might well be acceptable, but the size of it might come under discussion.

Hiram Johnson suggested that this was something to think about and asked each one to go back home, talk to friends and neighbors about sawmills and bring any information gathered, to the coming meetings.

George Fulton suggested that State Compensation Commission has a twenty minute film on steam logging and felt we might like to see it some evening. The committee agreed that this might be interesting.

Hiram Johnson mentioned that a note should be dropped to Tom Vaughan, asking for the background on Clatsop County logging.

Eli McConkey would like to know when the film on the steam logging is to be shown. He will bring some pictures.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was moved by Ned Thorndike and seconded by Russell Bristow that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

CLATSOP COUNTY

Courthouse . . . . Astoria, Oregon 97103

P. O. Box 179
Astoria, Oregon 97103
May 16, 1969

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE CLATSOP COUNTY
HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Dear Member:

The May meeting of the Historical Advisory Committee will be held in the office of the Board of County Commissioners, Court House, Astoria, at 7:00 P. M., Monday, May 19, 1969.

It is important that you be on time Monday evening, as we are to have the film on steam logging, which will be shown to us by Mr. McJunkin of the State Compensation Commission.

Remember to read your minutes over carefully and it is hoped you were able to gather several suggestions during the month to add to possible future projects for the committee.

Enclosed, for your records, is a copy of the minutes of the April 21, 1969 meeting.

Very truly yours,
Helen C. Griffith
(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

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June 10, 1969

To: ALL MEMBERS OF THE CLATSOP COUNTY
HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The regular meeting of the Advisory Committee will be held at the Chamber of Commerce meeting room in Cannon Beach at 8:00 P. M. on Monday, June 16, 1969.

Those who plan to go from Astoria, please meet in the Court House parking lot at the rear of the Court House, near the County Jail, at 7:00 P. M. on Monday evening. Should your car not be needed to make the trip to Cannon Beach, you may park it in the lot until the return to Astoria.

If you live South of Astoria, near Gearhart or Seaside, you may wish to take your own car , but, if you would like to join those coming from Astoria, please call Helen Griffith at 325-3162 and arrangements will be made to pick you up.

It is hoped you will find it possible to attend, for the Cannon Beach area should abound in historical points of interest if we can but locate them. Should there be someone in the Cannon Beach area, who would be interested in Clatsop County History, you might take it upon yourself to let that person know of the time and place of the meeting in order that they may attend.

Very truly yours,
Helen C. Griffith
(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

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June 10, 1969

Mr. Chuck Miles
Cannon Beach, Oregon 97110

Dear Mr. Miles:

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Our Committee was informed that you are very much interested in the history of Clatsop County, and especially your particular area. We wish to take this opportunity to invite you to attend our meeting Monday evening and share your knowledge and ideas with us.

Dr. Harvey, who is the present Chairman of the Historical Advisory Committee, plans to share with you the beginnings of this Committee, as well as relating, for those present, some of the accomplishments of the Committee, as well as those areas in the process of completion.

We hope you will find it possible to attend on Monday evening.

Very truly yours,

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CLATSOP COUNTY

Courthouse . . . . Astoria, Oregon 97103

June 10, 1969

Mr. G. Ray Watkins, President
Cannon Beach Chamber of Commerce
Cannon Beach, Oregon 97110

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Our Committee was informed that you are very much interested in the history of Clatsop County, and especially your particular area. We wish to take this opportunity to invite you to attend our meeting on Monday evening and share your knowledge and ideas with us. Also, should you care to ask a few others, perhaps you might like to discuss the matter with Mr. Chuck Miles, who has also been asked, and bring along a few people interested in history. We have anywhere from ten to fifteen people attend our regular meetings. I do not know just how large your meeting room is, but feel free to have as many people with you as the room can hold, if you so desire. We do hope that you will find it possible to attend; however, if you cannot, we do hope there will be someone to represent you and the community.

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CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

May 19, 1969

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Dr. Ed Harvey.

Members present: Eli McConkey, Jack Sutfin, Russell Bristow, George Fulton, Bill Foster, Clarence Sigurdson, Ned Thorndike, Dr. Ed Harvey, and Helen Griffith.

Also in attendance were Commissioner Hiram C. Johnson and his son, Hiram; and Jim Thomson, who represents the Clatsop County Historical Society.

At this time the meeting was turned over to Bill McJunkin of the State Compensation Department, who presented a film on Steam Logging in the Northwest. Although there was no dialogue with the film, it was very interesting to those present, who felt it was easily understood and self explanatory. Following the film, Mr. McJunkin was asked several questions, some of which he was able to answer and some not, for, as he stated, they had the film because of showing the difference in the methods of logging in the 1930's and today - which points up the hazards in past years, much of which has been corrected today. Also, Mr. McJunkin stated that Spud Warila has taken slides on logging and he felt we could probably get Mr. Warila to show his slides, which would give us a complete rundown on logging operations.

The film was greatly enjoyed by all who attended, and a note of appreciation will go to Mr. McJunkin for taking the time to present the program.

It was moved by Eli McConkey and seconded by Bill Foster that the minutes of the April 21, 1969 meeting be approved as read. Motion carried.

Ned Thorndike asked about the price of signs, such as the one used at Westport Tunnel. These that we have had done Dr. Harvey has paid $4.00 or $5.00 for each, which are the sizes which were used on the homes. Dr. Harvey stated that a roadside sign would probably come to about $25.00 or $30.00.

With reference to the Westport Log Tunnel, Jack Sutfin said the septic tank is on state land, as shown by survey that was made sometime back. Mr. Sutfin stated that Mr. Vaughan had been shown this situation at the tunnel but

has done nothing about it and the people who are living there have not acted as though they planned to move at all. Mr. Sutfin says this is a wooden septic tank and drains right out into the creek and on the ground.

Chairman Ed Harvey asked the committee if they would mind his going after Buckley Vaughan and the proper authorities to resolve this matter.

It was moved by Russell Bristow and seconded by Clarence Sigurdson that the Committee empower the Chairman to contact Buckley Vaughan, Oregon Sanitary Authority, and State Forestry Department about the removal of the septic tank from the South end of the tunnel area immediately. Motion carried.

A discussion followed the motion and it was suggested that we recommend the legend be put on and the signs erected at the Westport Tunnel this summer sometime, using the 1968-69 funds to do this work. As of this date the account shows a balance of $290.00 on hand. Funds will be needed for a large sign at the highway and a smaller sign nearer the tunnel.

It was moved by Eli McConkey and seconded by Clarence Sigurdson that a recommendation go to the Board of County Commissioners from the Historical Advisory Committee to the effect that the sum of $150.00 be set aside to pay for the signs to be set at the Westport Log Tunnel, said work to be accomplished this summer of 1969, and that Jack Sutfin and Russell Bristow to see that this work is done. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hiram Johnson will see that the signs are put up and will contact the State Highway Department, with reference to placing the Westport Tunnel directional sign one-quarter mile before turn off to the tunnel. It will take two directional signs.

Dr. Harvey stated that we have the complete story on the Japanese shelling through contact of Dick Thompson with Wendell Wyatt. Apparently the American Legion is going ahead with this program, with no cost to us. Also, Dr. Harvey stated that there is a photograph coming of the submarine. The number on the sub, as far as is known by Dr. Harvey, is L-17.

Dr. Harvey asked Ned Thorndike to take up the ball for obtaining the history and marker on top of the hill at the Astoria Column; Suggested he might look up the history, and see if some organization or organizations would like to take up this project. It was suggested, by Ed Harvey, that this might be (the stone marker) placed at the crown of the rise at top of first flight of steps leading up to the column. Ned Thorndike agreed to follow through on the above matter and will report back to the committee at the next meeting.

Jim Thomson has no particular report on Elizabeth Walton and the lists of homes, which had been asked for, to include in a historical listing. Mr. Thomson stated that now that his historian is back he will compile this list of historic sites.

Discussion held on the matter of the holly tree at Clifton. George Fulton asked Russell Bristow just where it is located. Ned Thorndike said there are so many blackberries around the tree you cannot get near it. It was suggested, to Russell Bristow, that he contact Bumble Bee about seeing to the work being done in clearing the area near the tree, and getting, for this committee, the data necessary for preparation of a legend and marking the tree.

Chairman Ed Harvey passed around several drawings as suggested entranceway to the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery. Dick and Dennie Thompson have two uprights and the cost will be approximately $20.00. Dr. Harvey asked the committee to select the design they wish, and after some discussion of the matter, Design No. 1 was chosen, for the entranceway to the cemetery. Since we have the uprights, there only remains the need to obtain the cross piece. Ned Thorndike said that Sven Lund has charge of the shipyard for Bumble Bee, but he, Ned Thorndike, was referred to Allen Cellars. The work will be done at the shipyard, with Mel Hjorten putting it together and doing the scribing.

Chuck Miles' name came before the Committee, as having received a second place chef's award in Bouilliabaisse as well as honorable mention in all his cooking at a seafoods demonstration in San Francisco recently.

Discussion held with reference to new members on committee. An invitation will be extended to Chuck Miles, and upon his acceptance, recommendation of the committee to be acted upon by the County Commission and appointment of Chuck Miles to the Committee will be made.

It was suggested, at this time, by Hiram Johnson, that we hold our June meeting in Cannon Beach; whereupon, a discussion with reference to the merits of such an idea followed.

It was moved by Eli McConkey and seconded by Ned Thorndike that we hold the June 16 meeting of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee in Cannon Beach. Motion carried.

Chairman Ed Harvey asked Eli McConkey to contact the Cannon Beach people and then refer the time and place for the meeting in Cannon Beach to the secretary, Helen Griffith, to be included in the notices sent to members.

At this time, it was suggested by Clarence Sigurdson that Charles Cartwright be considered for membership on this committee. Mr. Sigurdson will call Mr. Cartwright and invite him to attend the Cannon Beach meeting.

Dr. Harvey mentioned the coming meeting of the Lewis & Clark Festival Association to be held on June 6 at the Elks Club in Seaside, on the humanities, etc. Elizabeth Walton to be on the panel.

It was suggested that perhaps Betty Dueber and Dick Atherton from the Cannon Beach area might be interested in attending the June meeting of this committee.

George Fulton reported that someone has lost the records on the Astoria Fire and Bill Foster is trying to locate them. They feel they know where they are and hope to retrieve them soon.

There being no further business at this time, it was moved by George Fulton and seconded by Ned Thorndike that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Helen C. Griffith
(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

Pictured above is a team of oxen which pulled logs through the Westport tunnel. The grooved skids to the right of the oxen were greased and a log with one end sharpened would be pulled over them. B. Waterhouse, of Warrenton, brought this early photograph to the Columbia Press. He bought the house of the contractor of the tunnel and the picture came along with it. "He said building it nearly broke him," Waterhouse recalls. The tunnel, pictured in the background, was recently set aside by Clatsop county as a historical landmark.

CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
June 16, 1969

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Ed Harvey.

Members present: Russell Bristow, Ned Thorndike, Bill Foster, Eli McConkey, Clarence Sigurdson, Irene Altstadt, Dorothy Wootton, Ed Harvey, Arthur Dempsie, and Helen C. Griffith.

Also present were: Chuck Miles, Mrs. Ned Thorndike, Kenneth Neff, and County Commissioner Hiram Johnson.

A letter, from Gil Gramson, Director of Parks and Recreation for the City of Astoria, was read to those present, regarding the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery.

Chairman Ed Harvey mentioned that the local American Legion Post is asking other American Legion Posts if they would like to contribute toward the setting of the stone for the Japanese shelling marker. Dr. Harvey hopes we can get something going on this right away, and also explained to those present the size of the stone as there were some present who had not seen this drawing before. Dr. Harvey also presented the story of the shelling of the coast as it came from the United States Archives.

Irene Altstadt, at this time, presented to the committee an outline of the activities of the committee since its inception.

Dorothy Wootton presented to the committee a copy of the Daily Toveri's Bulletin which had been issued the day of the Astoria Fire, December 8, 1922. This copy of the paper is to be framed in unglazed glass, for preservation. Irene Altstadt offered to pay for this framing of the Bulletin.

It was reported by Irene Altstadt that the John Devlin house has been marked. This was done sometime last fall.

A discussion was held with reference to the continuation of the Lewis & Clark Trail Commission. There is some opposition to it and the bill may not continue.

The subject of the holly trees at Clifton was discussed. Bumble Bee will give us all the history on this subject, and to work out a little park around this tree. Allen Cellars and Jay Hendrickson have offered to help Russell Bristow in this matter. It was suggested that not only the holly tree, but an old redwood tree, be

included also. It was suggested, too, that the old post office be preserved, just the way it is, and probably can be if we wish it to be done. Russell Bristow feels that there are possibilities in this area.

Hiram Johnson suggested that we draw up a resolution from the committee, asking Bumble Bee to set this area aside as a historical site. Jim Thomson added that then maybe there could be a marker at the highway, directing the public to this bit of history. Jim Thomson also asked if there is any there that could benefit Bumble Bee, with reference to the early part of their history. Russell Bristow stated that CRPA had quite a cannery there. Jim Thomson feels that this could be a marker similar to the Pacific Power & Light Company marker.

It was moved by Russell Bristow and seconded by Irene Altstadt that this committee write, prepare, and adopt a resolution for the purpose of memorializing the trees, post office, and cannery buildings in the Clifton area. Motion carried.

Chairman Ed Harvey asked Bill Foster to prepare the resolution on the above motion, along with Jack Sutfin, and use Russell Bristow's services until Russell must leave for Alaska. Dr. Harvey stated that this will be deferred until July meeting.

Clarence Sigurdson stated that the Seaside Chamber of Commerce now has a listing of old homes and sites in Seaside.

At this time Chuck Miles, Vice Chairman of the Cannon Beach Chamber of Commerce, was introduced to the group present.

Chairman Ed Harvey announced that the Westport tunnel situation is being taken care of, as per information he had received from Buckley Vaughan. Mr. Vaughan said the area was being cleaned up.

Mention was made of the picture published in the June 12 issue of the Columbia Press. Dr. Harvey stated that this picture showed an ox team which had just pulled logs through the Westport Tunnel. (A copy of said picture of the ox team was clipped from the newspaper and placed in the Advisory Committee minutes book as a permanent record.)

A report on the Lindgren cabin was given at this time by Hiram Johnson. The cabin, which was just off of Soapstone Creek, was hand hewed out of cedar logs in 1922. Rather than see the cabin gradually disappear, the Clatsop County Road Crew took this cabin apart pice by piece, marked, and stored it away until sometime this summer, when the Finnish Brotherhood, who became very interested in the preservation of the cabin, will erect the cabin at a site at Cullaby Lake.

Hiram Johnson mentioned that the Cannon Beach people are planning to do some marking to give the location of the Ecola whale. Clarence Sigurdson told of whale bones about a block West of Bell Harbor and feels that these may well be the same bones. Mr. Sigurdson stated that stumps of trees would prove that the trees were 75 to 100 years old and the whale bones were being dug out from under these.

Chairman Ed Harvey asked Chuck Miles about the whale bones, and Mr. Miles said they have tried to check with the lady who found the whale bones and said they were found near the mouth of Elk Creek or Ecola. Chuck Miles said they (Lewis & Clark) gave a pretty good distance descriptinn on this in the Journal and he feels sure this was several blocks down from the Whaler restaurant. This is all filled ground for this area used to be marsh land. Ed Harvey told Mr. Miles we would be very happy to appropriately mark the area if Cannon Beach can definitely point out the area. Chuck Miles said the marker that Cannon Beach had erected in the area this spring stated that "the whale blubber was rendered at a spot at or near here in 1805".

Ed Harvey explained to Chuck Miles that the marker they had erected was very good, but that we are trying to use these State Highway Department marker in order that they be recognizable by everyone immediately.

Mr. Miles felt that through meetings that have been hold by the people in this Cannon Beach area he knows they will be greatly interested in such assistance from this committee and knows they will work with us. He will take this matter up with the Chamber of Commerce.

The Hotel Bill's was the name of the old hotel building that was built in 1905. The windows were from the Lewis & Clark Exposition held in 1904, and the lumber from a barge that washed ashore. It has been set up as a temporary type museum, this log

cabin. It could be used for many things, such as a museum and meeting rooms. Woodrow Wilson and Teddy Roosevelt stayed there, as well as, William Jennings Brian. One of the members also suggested the old Hotel Warren.

Dorothy Wootton mentioned an old house in Tolovana Park area that was very interesting. Chuck Miles says this is a conglomerate and has been built by two men, over a period of many years.

Dr. Harvey asked Chuck Miles if this matter of the whale bones marker could be taken up at the Chamber meeting in time to be presented at our committee meeting in Astoria on the third Monday of July.

Mr. Miles mentioned John Catlin, a naval architect for many years. Mr. Catlin has been doing a lot of research on the entire coast line, as well as the people, and his information may be a ready source for this committee.

Ed Harvey explained the origin of this committee to Chuck Miles, who, in turn, stated that Mrs. Berkeley Snow is very active in their group in Cannon Beach, as well as Dick Atherton. Mr. Miles feels these people would be quite interested in working with the Advisory Committee, possibly as members.

Those present received the news that Chuck Miles, who participated in the Crab Olympics in San Francisco recently, had just that day received another award. He had previously received two awards on his efforts at the Olympics.

Chuck Miles was asked tonight if he would accept a place on our committee, as a member. Mr. Miles accepted and a recommendation of this committee will go to the County Commission to include Mr. Chuck Miles of Cannon Beach as a member.

Chairman Ed Harvey, hearing no objections or corrections to the reading of the minutes of the May meeting, stated they would stand as read.

This June meeting was moved to the Whaler Restaurant, where Chuck Miles served coffee to the members during the meeting. Everyone present responded with verbal thanks to Mr. Miles.

Eli McConkey told of a ride he had recently taken to the Westport Tunnel, and found a number of people there to look the tunnel over. Mr. McConkey said that the only thing the people did not like was the ditch you had to cross to get there.

Hiram Johnson mentioned that this will be cared for by the road crew when the sewage matter is cared for.

Hiram Johnson, in mentioning the marker for the shelling of the Oregon Coast by the Japanese, stated that the marker should be placed at Delaura Beach road and Ridge Road. There is plenty of right-of-way along side the road for people to pull off and get out of their cars to view the marker.

It was suggested by Hiram Johnson that we meet in Warrenton in July. He thought it would be a good idea to see the location of the spot of the Japanese shelling and the place where the marker should be placed.

It was also suggested that we come down to Cannon Beach in September. If this is agreeable with all, we shall do this.

Clarence Sigurdson suggested that we meet in Seaside, and was asked to provide a place for the Advisory Committee meeting in Seaside in October.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

CLATSOP COUNTY

Courthouse . . . . Astoria, Oregon 97103

P.O.Box 179
August 13, 1969

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE CLATSOP COUNTY
HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

This comes as a reminder for you that the August meeting of the Historical Advisory Committee will be held on Monday evening, August 18, AND PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

1. Meet at Ocean View Cemetery gates at 6:30 P. M.

2. Dick Thompson will show the committee a sample type of material to be used in the stone marker, as suggested to us at a previous meeting.

3. Committee to proceed from this point to the site of the Japanese shelling of our coastline, which site is just a short distance away. Lawrence Rogers and Dick Thompson will lead the way to said site.

4. Following the viewing of said site, the committee will proceed to Pop's Chicken Dinner Restaurant in Warrenton city center (between 7:00 and 7:30 P.M.), where those who have not had dinner may order same and those who had eaten dinner before leaving home may join in with pie and coffee (or whatever you desire) -- and continue our meeting. We are to have the dining room in the rear of the restaurant. Arrangements were made on Monday of this week.

It sounds like an interesting evening, and it is the hope of our chairman, Ed Harvey, that all will find it possible to attend. If you CANNOT ATTEND or PERHAPS YOU MAY NEED A RIDE, please call Helen Griffith at 325-3162 by Monday morning.

Dr. Harvey will be unable to attend on Monday and George Fulton, our Vice Chairman, will chair the meeting. Dr. Harvey was taken quite ill on Tuesday afternoon, shortly after the lunch hour, and his wife took him to the hospital. The doctors have not rendered a diagnosis of his condition, as yet, (according to information I received from his office secretary), but they are using the heart machine on him until the situation has stabilized and proper tests made. I have mailed a card to the hospital from the Committee and Monday night will have a card at the meeting for the signatures of all those in attendance.

Should any of you wish to send cards or letters, you may address them to: Dr. E. W. Harvey, %Columbia Hospital, 646 - 16th Street, Astoria, Oregon 97103, for I am sure he will appreciate knowing you are thinking of him. He cannot have visitors at present, and it will be some time before he is able to be back at his office for business.

It is the hope of our chairman that Vern Leach will also be able to attend the meeting, since the American Legion has shown such interest in taking on this project. And, you will be interested in the information which Lawrence Rogers will have for us.

Notices were not sent out for a meeting in July because your secretary spent a number of very bad days at home, quite ill, and there were several other members who could not making a July meeting.

Minutes for the past two meetings will be available for your files at the meeting on Monday evening.

Sincerely,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

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A County Picnic will be held for all County Employees and their families at which barbecued chicken and coffee will be served. Each family will be responsible for providing their own table service, and all other food and refreshments wished to go along with the chicken.

PLACE: South end of Cullaby Lake

TIME: Sunday, September 14, 1969, 1:00 P. M.

PRICE: $.75 for one-half chicken and coffee

Should it rain, the picnic will be held at the 4-H Fair Grounds in Astoria.

Since you are an active member on one of the County Committees, it is the wish of the County Commission that you and your family be included in this invitation, that you might become acquainted with all county employees.

We must have your answer by Friday, August 29th, giving the number of your family members attending. We hope to see you there.

JOHN DOOLEY, Roadmaster
Chairman

PLEASE REPLY by calling 325-3162 or dropping a note to Board of County Commissioners, P. O. Box 179, Astoria, Oregon 97103.

CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
August 18, 1969

Members of the Historical Advisory Committee met at 6:30 P. M., first, at the Ocean View Cemetery, along with Dick Thompson of the Astoria Granite Works, Lawrence Rogers of Hammond, Vern Leach of the local American Legion Post, and John Dooley, Clatsop County Roadmaster.

At this point Dick Thompson led the group to a stone marker in the cemetery that is the color and texture of the marker he will obtain to memorialize the spot where the Japanese shelling of the Oregon Coast took place. This stone also contained the type of engraving to be used in our marker. After the viewing and questions by the assembled group, Mr. Rogers led the committee to the spot where the shelling took place. This created quite a bit of excitement and much enthusiasm over the undertaking of such a program. A small knoll, just to the East of the shell hole and scarred tree, seemed to be the proper place to consider for the setting of the stone marker. John Dooley, the County Roadmaster, checked the position of the land and will check into ownership of said property. It was felt that it belonged, probably, to Clatsop County, but the Committee will be sure of ownership before proceeding further. The site of the shelling is approximately 300 feet West of the Ridge Road, on Delaura Beach Road, with the crater and tree on the North side of the Delaura Beach Road.

Mr. Rogers explained to those present, that previous to this meeting, Dr. Ed Harvey, Dick Thompson, and himself had made the trip to the area, had become excited over the possibilities of the area and pretty well covered the ground, and at this point Dick Thompson climbed down into the crater (covered by brush at the present time) to give the committee some idea of its placement and size and then Mr. Rogers pointed out the scars on the tree.

Following this discussion, the Advisory Committee adjourned to Pop's Chick Dinner Restaurant in Warrenton for dinner and a continuation of the Advisory Committee meeting. Lawrence Rogers and John Dooley were unable to continue on with the Committee, returning at this point to their respective homes.

In the absence of Chairman Ed Harvey, who is ill and confined to the hospital at

present, the Vice Chairman George Fulton presided.

Word had been received by the Secretary that Dorothy Wootton, Irene Altstadt, and Ned Thorndike would be unable to attend the meeting,(although they had very much wanted to do so), because of unexpected company or having to be out of town.

Members in attendance were: Lawrence Rogers, Bill Foster, Russell Bristow, Clarence Sigurdson, Kenneth Neff, Arthur Dempsie, Eli McConkey, Jack Sutfin, George Fulton, and Helen Griffith.

Also present were: County Commissioner Hiram Johnson, Vern Leach from the Astoria American Legion Post, County Roadmaster John Dooley, Dick Thompson from the Astoria Granite Works, and Jim Thomson, representative from the Clatsop County Historical Society; also, Edgar Mattson, brother-in-law of Commissioner Hiram Johnson.

The Secretary was unable to reach Chuck Miles for this August meeting, and Gerald Gower, who holds a state office with the American Legion, was unable to attend because of an unexpected Cannon Beach City Council meeting; however, Mr. Gower wanted the committee to know he is very much interested in the proposed project of the marker memorializing the Japanese shelling of the Coast.

George Fulton asked Vern Leach just how much of this program the American Legion wished to be responsible for and what part, if any, the Committee should play in bringing about the completion of the project. Mr. Leach stated he (speaking for the American Legion) wants all the help the committee can give him, and meant by that, that the Advisory Committee, of course, was doing all the preliminary planning, the design, location work, and the American Legion will supply the money.

Among other things, Mr. Leach feels there should be one central collection station for the money, whether it be an American Legion representative or someone else. Following a bit of discussion on the matter, it was agreed among the members and Mr. Leach that the American Legion will accept the money and at the proper time, make a special presentation.

It was suggested by Hiram Johnson that Gerald Gower, who is a state officer in the American Legion, might be contacted as a collection point; however, this matter will be worked out later.

Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the American Legion, the American Legion Emblem will be incorporated in the base of the stone marker. Mr. Leach

had originally suggested to Dick Thompson that a bronze emblem could be attached to the stone, but Mr. Thompson explained that a more permanent preservation of the Legion Emblem could be affected by engraving right into the base of the stone, as the legend of the shelling would be done on the upper portion. Following this conversation, the American Legion members were convinced that Mr. Thompson would accomplish this commemoration of their 50th Anniversary in the proper manner.

George Fulton asked where the marker should be placed, and it was agreed by the members of the Committee and Mr. Leach that the knoll just East of the actual shell crater site and the tree should be the location for the marker.

Also, it was suggested that a sign could be placed out at the junction of the Delaura Beach Road and the Ridge Road which would give the public directions to the marker.

It was moved by Hiram Johnson and seconded by Eli McConkey that the marker be erected immediately and proceed with all haste for collecting the money to pay for the materials and labor. Motion carried.

It was moved by Russell Bristow and seconded by Bill Foster that the recommendation of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee go to the Board of County Commissioners to set aside the sum of $450.00 to purchase the stone and that the Astoria Granite Works be authorized to purchase the stone suitable for marking the Japanese shelling of the Oregon Coast. Motion carried.

The above mentioned motion on recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners for setting aside $450.00 for purchase of the stone, is merely for the purpose of a guarantee to the Astoria Granite Works that, after purchase of the stone, should something occur whereby outside funds could not be collected, the Thompsons would know they would receive this amount of money in payment. Dick Thompson stated that this really wasn't necessary, so long as the committee authorized the purchase of the stone; but the Advisory Committee felt that it was merely good business to let Mr. Thompson know he could feel free in ordering the stone.

Dick Thompson mentioned that he and his brother, Dennis, had thought a six inch thick stone would be suitable, but after investigating found that it would not be suitable, so their firm will give the extra two inches of thickness to make the stone an

eight inch thickness of granite.

Vern Leach, in talking about spreading the information with reference to the marker, said he needs someone to assist him in writing,that is gifted in advertising. Mr. Leach also suggested that the probable cost, minimum, would be $600.00; however, if they receive more than this amount it could be used in the improvement of the surrounding area.

It was suggested, also, that a letter should go to the County Commission from this Committee in order that the Roadmaster can be instructed to work with the Granite Works in the construction of this area.

Arthur Dempsie asked about the preservation of the crater. He felt that this definitely should be considered, and mentioned that this will cost something too. A short discussion was held on the matter and the committee concluded that this will be considered after the marker and signs have been erected.

The suggestion was made that the State Highway Department would probably assist in erecting the sign at the highway.

George Fulton asked if the County Surveyor, Harold Olsvick, would set out the exact location of the shelling. Mr. Fulton felt it is necessary that this be done as soon as possible. Commissioner Hiram Johnson stated that this would be a simple matter and will ask the County Surveyor take care of the survey.

At this time several other spots were mentioned as places where shells had landed - one near Battery Russell and one near Dr. Rawls' home. Hiram Johnson stated that Arthur Johanson has fragments of the shell and he might possibly be willing to include a portion of this for inclusion in the marker.

It was suggested by Clarence Sigurdson that this committee should write to the Smithsonian Institute regarding the shell pit being excavated on the property in the Seaside area where the extension of the Seaside Golf Course is to be constructed.

George Fulton asked that everyone get all the information he can, with reference to the marker, and bring same to the next meeting.

The next meeting of the Committee will be the third Monday of September, which is September 15, in Cannon Beach and Jim Thomson was asked by the acting chairman, George Fulton, to arrange with Chuck Miles for a place to meet; also, asking that Mr. Miles contact those in the Cannon Beach area, who are interested in county history, to attend the meeting.

Eli McConkey brought up the subject of the nominating committee, of which he had been named as chairman by the Advisory Committee Chairman Ed Harvey. Mr. McConkey said that after talking with Ed Harvey, they agreed that George Fulton should act as nominating committee chairman. George Fulton immediately asked what the nature of the nominating committee was to be and was informed by Mr. McConkey that it was for the purpose of nominating interested citizens of the county for membership on the committee, or at least as resource people. This matter was tabled for the moment, until such time as some of our present activities have been completed and it is possible to visit with Dr. Harvey on this subject.

As a matter of information, it was announced that Howard and Hiram Johnson have had four signs, 4 x 8 feet in size, prepared for advertising the fact that Clatsop County is the home of the 1969 Miss Oregon, Margie Huhta. These signs will be posted on Highways 30, 26, and 101, and one at the Oregon end of the Columbia River Bridge.

With reference to the topic of "Miss Oregon", it was the suggestion of Arthur Dempsie that a letter be written to Governor Tom McCall, with a copy for the Department of Motor Vehicles, and a letter to the Department of Motor Vehicles, with a copy to Governor McCall, suggesting that a special license be produced for Miss Oregon's car, which would easily identify her as such, and which license would become Miss Oregon's property at the close of her reign. If this is possible, without legislation, it would be the recommendation of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee that this license be effective with "Miss Oregon, 1969". Miss Oregon is an official representative of the State of Oregon, and as such, it was felt she should be recognized. There was some discussion, which followed, with the following motion coming out of said discussion.

It was moved by Arthur Dempsie and seconded by Bill Foster that the State of Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles, upon recommendation of the Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee, furnish a special license to Miss Oregon, 1969, for her car, which would become her property at the close of her reign; and the further recommendation that this matter become an annual occurrence. Motion carried.

County Commissioner Hiram Johnson, representing the Board of County Commissioners, expressed the thanks of the Board for the work done and being planned by the members of the Historical Advisory Committee. Mr. Johnson stated that much work has been done in bringing historical matters to the front and that the future should bring the realization of many plans for making known, to the public, the many interesting historical sites in Clatsop County.

Jack Sutfin announced, with reference to the picture published in the paper of the ox team at the Westport Tunnel, that he has a print of this picture at home and will have an enlargement made to present to the committee for preservation.

Russell Bristow reported that Bumble Bee executives are working with him toward the preservation of the historical site at Clifton.

Jim Thomson showed a brochure, which he had obtained recently at Port Townsend, Washington, that gives a map of the historic sites in the community and showing the route a visitor might take in viewing said sites. The brochure was given to our Advisory Committee for possible future study and assistance in improving on our local brochure.

Acting Chairman George Fulton dispensed with the reading of the previous months' minutes, because of the time necessary to be used in sharing the results of the 'on sight' meeting with reference to the Japanese shelling of the Oregon Coast. Copies of minutes of the past two meetings were passed to the members present, with copies to be mailed to those who were unable to attend, along with copies of the minutes of the current meeting.

There being no further business to bring before the committee at this time,

the meeting adjourned.

Notices will be sent to the members on the September meeting when a firm date and place been been set.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen C. Griffith

(Mrs.) Helen C. Griffith, Secretary

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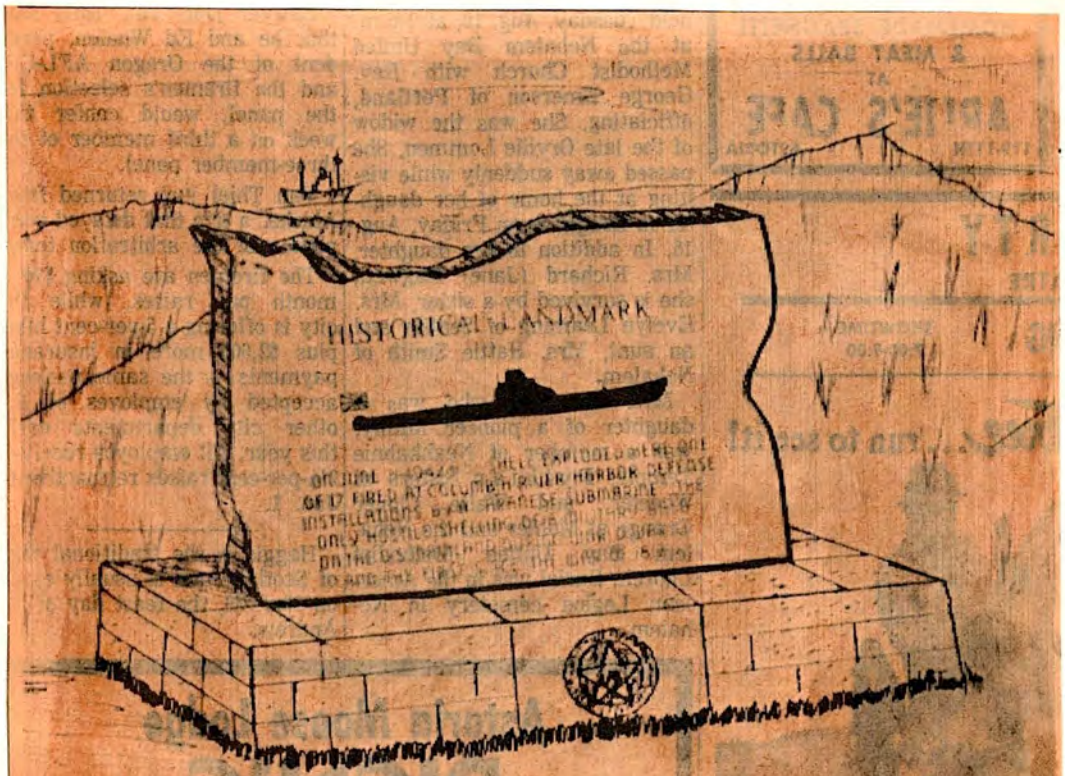

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Marker Proposed

This is Dick Thompson's sketch of the proposed marker near the shell hole where a round from Japanese submarine 1-17 landed June 21, 1942, along the DeLaura Beach Road. Legend on the upright granite slab reads "On June 21, 1942, a 5.5 shell exploded here; one of 17 fired at Columbia River Harbor Defense installations by a Japanese submarine. The only hostile shelling of a military base on the U.S. mainland during World War II and the first since the War of 1812." The American Legion emblem appears on the base, made of split-face granite. (See story Page 2)

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The Daily Astorian, Astoria, Oregon, Thursday, August 21, 1969

Jap Shell Marker Site Is Approved

Clatsop County Historical Advisory Committee has approved a site for a marker commemorating the bombardment of the Fort Stevens area by a Japanese submarine in 1942.

The committee Monday night visited the area and selected a spot beside DeLaura Beach Road, 300 feet west of the junction with Ridge Road.

The county commissioners have already authorized funds and the committee will go ahead with erection of a marker as designed by Dick Thompson of Astoria Granite Works.

George Fulton, acting chairman of the committee, said cost of the marker is estimated around $500. It will be a granite slab, shaped like the state of Oregon, mounted on a split-face granite base and set in concrete.

Fulton said the spot to be marked is close to the crater made by one of 17 rounds fired with a 5.5 inch gun by the Japanese submarine 1-17 on June 21, 1942.

Committee members spotted the depression that still remains, and noted the break in a nearby tree where the shell ripped off a branch.

The American Legion has promised to reimburse the committee for cost of the marker, and Clatsop Post officers plan to ask contributions from Legion posts over the state, Fulton said.

The following is a copy of a note to Dorothy Wootton from Evangeline McNeill, plus an article with reference to the old Bill Hotel in Cannon Beach:

"Cannon Beach, Ore.
Oct. 18, '69

Dear Miss Wootten:-

Just a tiny note today-

Sorry I missed the mail this afternoon-

Do hope this little article is what you need.

There is one point on which I am not certain. Did Mr. Bill sell directly to Mr. Osborne or was there another owner?

Anyway, trust it will be helpful -

Sincerely,
EVANGELINE McNEILL"

"Around the turn of the century, the Old Cannon Beach Hotel was built from the logs of the first cigar raft ever sent over the bar at the mouth of the Columbia River. A Mr. Bill found these logs drifting in from the wrecked raft from which he built the hotel now found on the Conference grounds at Cannon Beach, Ore.

The oldest register in our possession dates back to 1904. The names of a number of distinguished guests are found on its pages, among whom is William Jennings Bryan who occupied room 10 and Woodrow Wilson, who simply added Washington, D. C. to his name.

The stage coach left Astoria early in the morning for points south, by nightfall it reached the old hotel at Cannon Beach traveling over very rough terrain. The guests spent the night here. The old stone fireplace was the center of interest and many fascinating stories were told and yarns spun around its hearth.

The following day it was necessary for the guests to remain at the hotel until the tide was sufficiently low to permit the stagecoach to proceed south along the beach, passing around the narrow rock ledge at Hug Point at lowest tide.

The Bill family operated the hotel for a number of years after which it was sold to Mr. Osborne of Corvallis. Later Mr. George Frisbie became a guest at the hotel and fell in love with the inn keepers daughter, Edna Osborne, and married her. Mrs. Osborne, Edna's mother, was said to be a mistress in the art of cooking...guests came from near and far to enjoy her wild blackberry pie on which was served rich cream from the cow tethered out behind the hotel in a pasture.

The names of many well known Oregon and Washington families are inscribed on the registers. 'Inscribed' is the only word one might use in describing the signatures on those quaint registers. Time was plentiful in those years and many of the names written are works of art to behold. The old pioneer Hotel became THE PLACE to stay in later years."

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CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
October 20, 1969

The October meeting of the Historical Advisory Committee to the County Commissioners was held in the council chambers of the city of Seaside on Monday evening, October 20, 1969 with George Fulton presiding in the absence of the chairman Ed Harvey.

Present were: Irene Altstadt, George Fulton, Bill Foster, Ned Thorndike, Jim Thomson, Russell Bristow, Eli McConkey, Art Dempsie, Host Clarence Sigurdson, Travis Tyrrell, and Dorothy Wootton.

The discussion for the evening centered on:

1. Controversy over the placing of the marker for the Pioneer Cemetery following the stopping of placement by Sven Lund, Bumble Bee Packing Company. Mr. Lund felt that the entrance on 14th Street too inconspicuous for the sign. Ned Thorndike reported that Allen Cellars of Bumble Bee opposed the change in the location of the marker.

However, after a lengthy discussion Jim Thomson moved that the carved marker be placed at the southeast corner of the cemetery with smaller signs indicating the entrance. Mrs. Altstadt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. George Fulton stated that he felt there was little progress regarding the American Legion's payment for the stone marking the spot where the shell from the Japanese submarine I-27 landed. Bill Foster felt that there was no need for worry on the matter. Discussion dropped.

3. Jim Thomson, who is leaving Fort Clatsop for a new post in Texas, reminded the Chairman that the County Commissioners had made the director of Fort Clatsop an ex-officio member of this committee.

4. George Fulton praised Jim Thomson for his help, interest, and attendance at the meetings. The group gave Mr. Thomson a rising vote of thanks.

5. Mr. Travis Tyrrell reported on the meeting of a group in Cannon Beach regarding the formation of a society in that vicinity. A meeting is planned for November 18 to see if the interest there warrants a local group.

George Fulton explained the purpose of our committee and our desire to aid the Cannon Beach group in any way we might.

6. Dorothy Wootton read a communication from Mrs. Eveangeline McNeal regarding the old hotel. She will send a brief history at a later date. Irene Altstadt volunteered to take Dorothy Wootton to make a personal call on Mrs. McNeal.

7. Other spots of historical interest that were discussed, but no action taken, were:

a. The old holly tree and Post Office in Clifton

b. The old black bridge in Seaside

c. The Scow Bay area in Astoria and the old foundry

d. Six cedars of Lebanon in the Clatsop Plains cemetery, which were brought from Lebanon.

e. The possibility of hearing and copying an article on early Cannon Beach, which was written recently by Delbert Griffin. Dorothy Wootton volunteered to ask for it.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Wootton

Dorothy Wootton, Secretary pro-tem

CLATSOP COUNTY HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
November 17, 1969

The November meeting of the Historical Advisory Committee to the County of Clatsop was held in the office of the Board of County Commissioners, Court House, Astoria, at 7:00 P. M., with the Vice Chairman, George Fulton, presiding.

Present were: Chuck Miles, Ned Thorndike, Jack Sutfin, Travis Tyrrell, Mrs. Berkley Snow (Betty), George Fulton, Dorothy Wootton, Arthur Dempsie, Trygve Duoos, Kenneth Neff, Eli McConkey, Clarence Sigurdson, and Helen Griffith.

Also present for the meeting was County Commissioner Hiram C. Johnson.

It was moved by Ned Thorndike and seconded by Chuck Miles that the minutes as submitted, be accepted. Motion carried.

George Fulton reported that the stone for the Japanese shelling marker has arrived, but the money has not. Also, Dick Thompson has a drawing of the submarine. With reference to the necessary funds,to pay for the work and erection of the marker, Arthur Dempsie suggested that Loren Kuske, being president this year of the American Legion, perhaps could be influenced in seeing that the money is raised.

Ned Thorndike reported that the marker at the Astoria Pioneer Cemetery is up and on the original site for placement, which was on 14th Street and Lexington Avenue. There followed a considerable amount of discussion on this matter.

Mr. Tyrrell, when asked, suggested that Chuck Miles report on the Cannon Beach meeting for November 18. Chuck reported that following the decision on this date they find there is a great amount of interest in the group and people do want to participate in a historical group in Cannon Beach, but as far as the 18th is concerned, there have been some people who find they cannot attend. At the next Advisory Committee meeting, Chuck feels the Cannon Beach people will want our committee members to help in the Cannon Beach Pioneer Days celebration next summer.

Mention was made of the records of the Bills Hotel, with the information given that the entire records could not be recorded in the Clerk's office; however, Xerox copies will be made as the opportunity arises for our secretary.

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Dorothy Wootton is to obtain an article on early Cannon Beach, written by John Delbert Griffin, from Margaret Green. Xerox copies are to be made of this article, one of which will be incorporated in the records of the committee.

The subject of the Black Bridge was brought up. This bridge is about six miles South of Seaside. A park should be developed and there should be a sign erected there. Arthur Dempsie says it was originally a steel bridge and was black in color. Hiram Johnson suggested that the story be written and sent to Ray Asburry of the State Highway Department.

It was moved by Eli McConkey and seconded by Clarence Sigurdson that the Advisory Committee recommend to the County Commission that they contact the State Highway Department for a suitable marking to be placed at the location of the Black Bridge. Motion carried.

Hiram Johnson reported on the old foundry in Scow Bay. This foundry is now in county ownership, but the building is too dangerous to try to preserve and must come down. There have been many patterns (wooden) removed by various people, as well as those removed by the Maritime Museum. Mr. Johnson said there is a considerable amount of steel, etc. still in the building and most of it is junk and must be disposed of. A general discussion on the matter followed.

A general discussion was held concerning the Cedars of Lebanon trees at the Pioneer Cemetery.

Arthur Dempsie asked about the whereabout of Chief Concomley's grave, and stated that he had read an article somewhere that stated it was at the mouth of the Skipanon. Ned Thorndike said that the skull was in the historical museum.

Clarence Sigurdson brought up the Warren home at this time, which was on the East bank of the Skipanon. Said there was a row of spruce trees set up along there and to his knowledge they are still there. Also, mentioned was made that a reduction plant is out off the end of the island at the mouth of the Skipanon. Arthur Dempsie asked about that property now and Hiram Johnson said the Aluminum Plant has this property now. Clarence Sigurdson stated that the land

has grown out about 100 feet from where the row of trees were set. A general discussion followed, with reference to this area.

Arthur Dempsie mentioned that Tansy Point is quite a well known spot.

Mr. Dempsie also mentioned the Pioneer Cemetery, asking if old Joe Hobson was not a pioneer. Mr. Dempsie had heard that Charlie Halderman was the last individual or member of a pioneer family to be allowed burial in the cemetery. Arthur Dempsie also mentioned old Judson Cole is now deceased and various members shared some of the anecdotes with reference to Mr. Cole.

In discussing the Clatsop Plains Pioneer Cemetery, mentioned was made of the condition of the marker.

Chuck Miles brought up the matter of the marking of the Bills Hotel. Mr. Miles went to see Ed Harvey after the meeting and said he felt there was no doubt that this building should be marked because of its significance in the history of the area. It was felt by the members that the hotel should remain in its present location. Mr. Miles feels that if they are able to trade enough land to the conference grounds they would be happy to see the museum stay where it is.

Trygve Duoos mentioned that the old cannery boat lifting apparatus should be preserved - if not physically, at least pictorially. Mr. Duoos asked Ned Thorndike if he had been able to get pictures on any historical items. If Mr. Thorndike gets started on such a project, Mr. Duoos hopes he will get a pictorial history of said boat lifting apparatus.

Hiram Johnson asked about the grist mill or old pulp mill at Youngs River Falls. Ned Thorndike says they have the old stones, with reference to this mill, in the yard of the historical museum, near the front steps.

George Fulton mentioned he had recently been in Wyoming and had seen the ruts from the wagons, which covered the trail to the West. The trail crosses Walter Palmberg's property in Wyoming.

Jack Sutfin asked about the markers for the Westport Tunnel. Mr. Sutfin said he had been trying to get in touch with Russell Bristow, but had been unsuccessful thus far.

Travis Tyrrell asked if the Neahkahnie Trail couldn't be marked. The committee members felt that it was not in Clatsop County, but Mr. Tyrrell said that it starts in our county. Mr. Tyrrell thought that perhaps it should be marked and perhaps cleaned out so it can be used again. Trygve Duoos felt that the Angora Club would probably be interested in doing something about this.

George Fulton asked about the dock where ships came in, in relation to the shrimp cannery. Clarence Sigurdson stated that he was present when they drove the first piling. They started the shipping in 1915 and Eli McConkey went to work for them.

Arthur Dempsie brought up the T. J. Potter and suggested that a marker be placed on the bank where the old hulk lies. It was mentioned that Duncan Shields and Marshall Leathers have back bars off the T.J.Potter. Dorothy Wootton said she felt that Bill McGregor had purchased the equipment off the T. J. Potter.

Dorothy Wootton asked about the actual date of the Astoria Fire. George Fulton said he can not do anything regarding the information on the fire, but Bill Foster is trying to get the fireman's log on same.

Eli McConkey and Arthur Dempsie discussed the portals of the old Weinhard Hotel, which are placed in the city park located on the hill near the reservoir. These portals are reminders of the Astoria Fire, and all that remained of the hotel. As they stand now, they are covered with brush and the men felt that they should be moved, or else cleaned up so these portals can be seen by the general public.

George Fulton asked about the Japanese shelling site. Hiram Johnson said that Dick Thompson and John Dooley are a committee of two to see about this area. Mr. Fulton announced that Dick Thompson has obtained two shells of the same type as the Japanese shells, and has the stone also.

Hiram Johnson mentioned that a good summer's day project for next summer will be a drive to Clifton to view the historical items there.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned upon motion of Hiram Johnson and second by Ned Thorndike. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Helen L. Griffith, Secretary